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COUNT THE DAYS OF SUNSHINE.

Count the days of sunshine, mark them on the pane
Where you're sure to see them through the mist and rain;
They are sent to brighten coming dreary days,
Count the days of sunshine, fill the hours with praise.

Think about the sunshine, life is gladder far
Than we sometimes deem it; through the gloom a star
Ever shines to guide us when a song we raise,
God's within the future and the cloudy days.

Talk about the sunshine with a glad content;
Thank the gracious Giver for each blessing sent;
Tell of loving kindness; labyrinthian ways
O'er e'en this side heaven, lead to happier days.

Sing about the sunshine, it will soften pain,
Lift your courage higher, bid you hope again;
Doubt is for a moment, shadows flee away;
With the dawn of morning, Joy resumes her way.

—Westminster Review.

THE "BETTER CLASSES" AND THE "GENTLEMAN'S" RAZOR.

(The Sacramento Bee.)

The editorial page of the San Francisco Bulletin is certainly a wonderful and a fearful thing.

A leading editorial on Wednesday was "ON THE ADMIRABLE PRACTICE OF SHAVING EVERY MORNING."

Therein we are told: In Europe it is considered very bad form for a man to neglect shaving every day. The better classes shave themselves.

If the annals of Eros and Venus be written true; if the records of the divorce courts, and the scandalous pages of European high life be not forged, IT IS THE WORKER CLASSES IN EUROPE THAT SHAVE EVERY DAY, NOT THE BETTER.

What silly rot it is anyhow for a newspaper published in this country to talk thus about the "better classes."

Who comprise the "better classes?"

Certainly not the idle rich who do nothing to make the world better or happier.

Certainly not the royalty or the nobility, who are all accidents, and frequently a disgrace to any country which has to tolerate them.

The "better classes" in any nation—if we are to go into class distinctions—are the men who work for a living; WHO MAKE THE WORLD BETTER WITH THEIR TOIL EITHER BY HAND OR WITH BRAIN; who recognize all mankind as their brothers; who are free from the monkey egotism of vulgar fools.

These men may have made money.

They may be as poor as church mice.

They may shave themselves every morning, or they may not own a razor.

Rich or poor, they are believers in the brotherhood of man.

They do not preach that God has put on earth a class of men already booted and spurred to ride, while at their beck and call it another class humbly waiting to be ridden.

THEY ARE MEN, NOT FASHION PLATES.

These men constitute the "better classes," whether they wear broadcloth or corduroy; whether their apparel is spotless or soiled with age; whether their suits are frequently changed, or whether they have but one suit to their name; whether they shave themselves every day, or whether they let their beards grow BECAUSE THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO BUY A RAZOR OR PATRONIZE A BARBER.

Neither money nor a razor makes the gentleman.

Many a man who revels in both is no gentleman. And many a man who has neither is of God's true nobility.

And, talking of the "better classes" in this connection we wonder in what category the Bulletin writer would put Abraham Lincoln for instance!

HAS SALEM AN ABE RUEF?

Has the Capital City of Oregon one of those men who make government by the people a failure and a disgrace?

Has Salem and Marion county a peddler in patronage, WHO SELLS PLACES AND MILKS CONTRACTS?

Is there anyone connected with the city government or the county government of this character?

Has Salem any politicians by profession, who tell not, neither do they spin, YET LIVE IN EASE AND COMFORT?

Has Salem men who hold up improvements and work petty political grafts, with no visible means of income?

Would not some Heney come along and be able to unearth a system of BLOCKING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE INTEREST OF MILLIONAIRES AND CORPORATIONS?

We may have no Heney, but any observing person will admit Salem and Marion county have all the other earmarks of a grafting combine.

If it is ever broken this city will go ahead with a bound. At present all enterprise seems to be paralyzed by the milkweed of graft.

The blight and paralysis of graft are upon this community and should be shaken off.

There is not even enough life in the corpse of public spirit TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN IMPROVEMENTS.

The people of North Salem are begging, and have been begging to be permitted to grade a few dirt streets.

There is not even enough honestly intentioned business purpose left to make a little fill on North Commercial street WITHOUT "DOCTORED" SPECIFICATIONS.

This community should shake off the paralytic grasp of any Abe Ruef who demands that there shall be no improvements unless they go through the grafting mill.

There is a hand on the throat of this community at present that says stand and deliver, THERE SHALL BE NO IMPROVEMENTS UNLESS MY TERMS ARE COMPLIED WITH.

The public must pay my tolls for political plunder or not a dollar shall be expended for any public improvement. Will this endure?

BUILD PERMANENT CONTINUOUS HIGHWAYS.

Marion county needs badly to adopt a new highway policy that shall result in some first-class main highways being constructed.

Each year there should be built at least 25 miles of modern roadway IN ONE CONTINUOUS STRETCH.

If that were done in a few years the main parts of the county would be connected and accessible, and many branch roads would be built.

There should be constructed one main macadamized highway from Aurora to Jefferson through the heart of the thickly settled, wealthy region.

Half of that should be built this year and half next year. The state would help with convicts, AS IT HAS HELPED IN THE PAST.

The county has the funds, the people are favorable, the towns would help, the abutting property would help, the railroads would help.

This can be done without issuing bonds, without going in debt, WITHOUT ANY MORE LAWS OR ANY NEW OFFICIALS.

The taxpayers and the business people and the property owners are tired of the present dilly-dallying, patchwork system that builds a few miles here and a few miles there, and NO ONE CAN GET ANYWHERE THE LARGER PART OF THE YEAR.

The county levies an enormous tax and has a big investment in good roads machinery, has a county road master, and has a splendid public spirit that demands good roads.

The masses of the people have been educated to demand good roads, AND THE PEOPLE ARE READY FOR THEM.

It will be said this cannot be done, etc., etc. But that settles nothing. The I can'ts and the I won'ts are an old partnership.

The time has come to dissolve that partnership and go ahead. The people DO NOT WANT MARION COUNTY TO STAND STILL.

They want the county to settle up, and they want property to advance to at least its assessed valuation; they want modern improvements that will keep Marion county up with any county in the state.

The state has, with convict labor, and some aid from the county, constructed a fine piece of highway from Salem to the reform school.

THE COUNTY HAS AGREED TO COVER THAT WITH CRUSHED ROCK, BUT HAS NEVER DONE SO.

By the intervention of private citizens Governor Chamberlain offered, if the county would do its part, to construct that highway on to Turner.

The city of Jefferson has offered to do its part, and it would seem not too great an undertaking, with the help of public-spirited people all along the line to BUILD THAT ROAD FROM SALEM TO JEFFERSON FOR A STARTER.

The people are ready for some continuous work in the way of road building. The day of holding conventions is past. The day for action has come. Let all be prepared to do their part.

WOODBURN LIVESTOCK FAIR.

Great Exhibition and Great Crowd Expected.

Woodburn will have a live stock fair and a big time is looked for in this city on Saturday, March 23d.

The Livestock Association of North Marion and South Clackamas promises the people on this occasion one of the best exhibits of livestock yet given by the association, and no efforts are being spared to make the affair a great success.

Governor Geo. E. Chamberlain has been invited to address the people in encouragement of the breeders of Marion and Clackamas counties. The presence of our popular governor will bring many to our city on the above date, and they will listen to other notable speakers.

The executive committee is composed of the following: Fred Dose, president of the association; Gregory Reiling, secretary and treasurer; Dr. W. H. Goulet, general superintendent; C. C. Guilford, grand marshal, and R. M. Hicks.

The premiums will be awarded at 10 a. m. on the school grounds, where judges will be selected. At 2 p. m. there will be a grand parade of all stock entered.

The entrance fees will be as follows: Stallions, \$5.00; teams and roadsters, \$1.00; mares and colts 50 cents. All stallions must be entered by the evening of March 22d, and fees to be deposited with Secretary Reiling. Others to be entered before 9 a. m., March 23d, the day of the fair.

The prizes will be as follows: Stallions, six classes—Percheron, Shire, Clyde, Belgian, Standard and Coach. First prize in each class, \$10; second, \$5. Team, first prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$15.00. Brood mares, first prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$15.00; colts, first prize, \$15.00. No prize unless there is competition.

Special prize: For best of all classes, a \$25 silver cup, donated by the Bank of Woodburn, will be given. This bars the winner from all other prizes.

Special prizes: Speight & McKay offer \$10 for the best 2-year-old colt, \$5 for the second best 2-year-old; \$10 for the best yearling colt, \$5 for the second best yearling, that were sired by Castel.

Arrange to take a day off and come to Woodburn on March 23d. There will be entertainment for all, and the occasion will be enlivened by music by the Queen City Band.

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