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THE ARTISAN.

(Alice Brown in Baltimore Sun.)

O God, my master, God, look down and see
 If I am making what thou wouldst of me.
 Fain might I lift my hands up in the air
 From the defiant passion of my prayer;
 Yet here they grope on this cold altar stone,
 Graving the words I think I should make known.
 Mine eyes are thine. Yea, let me not forget,
 Lest with unstanched tears I leave them wet,
 Dimming their faithful power, till they not see
 Some small, plain task that might be done for thee.
 My feet, that ache for paths of flowery bloom,
 Halt steadfast in the straightness of this room.
 Though they may never be on errands sent,
 Here shall they stay, and wait thy full content,
 And my poor heart, that doth so crave for peace,
 Shall beat until thou bid its beating cease.
 So, thou dear master God, look down and see
 Whether I do thy bidding heedfully.

A PROGRESSIVE STREET COMMITTEE.

It cannot be denied that the street committee with Mr. Stolz for chairman is progressive.

The latest move is to have the city acquire ITS OWN ROCK QUARRY AND CRUSHING PLANT.

If the city could procure a good supply of rock suitable for streets the crushed rock might come cheaper.

To accomplish that end the city would have to buy a CRUSHER, INSTALL POWER, AND OPERATE A SCREEN.

Chairman Stolz also believes it would be in the interest of the city to own its own steam roller.

Whether it is in the power of the city to purchase all these things WITHOUT A BOND ISSUE IS NOT CERTAIN.

The street committee also favors building a ferry and bringing gravel from the island in the river.

The whole aim and purpose of these plans is to secure CHEAPER MATERIAL FOR PAVING STREETS.

There is some question whether the city could legally supply crushed rock or gravel to the contractors.

The street committee deserves credit for investigating these things, and the whole matter will be reported at the next meeting of the council.

WHY GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN SUCCEEDED.

One of the secrets of success of Governor Chamberlain lies in the fact he is true to his friends.

He was not much given to appointing men WHO WERE NOT LOYAL TO HIM PERSONALLY.

He was not much given to placating his enemies.

Senator Fulton tried that extensively, and when he needed friends that class all WERE SILENT OR ABANDONED HIM.

Governor Chamberlain secured a valuable position for Mr. Gatens and will not be deceived or betrayed by him.

He names no cold-blooded, luke-warm-dispositioned persons to positions of political trust, and was never afraid TO MAKE A STAND AND FIGHT FOR A MAN if he was his friend and had proved his loyalty.

Those who hand out the cold victuals to their friends and take men who have been in the other camp to the first table never get very far in politics.

Of course, there are men of such intense personality and potentiality that they need no friends and advisers at any time, but Chamberlain was not that sort, and much of his success is due to unselfish devotion and self-sacrifice to men who had in their hearts real admiration for the man and were not afraid to express it when needed.

AMUSEMENTS FOR YOUNG MEN.

The mayor has approved the ordinance making it a misdemeanor for any young man under twenty-one to be found in a pool or billiard room or private club where those games are played.

It is assumed that the ordinance will be strictly enforced, and yet IT IS A QUESTION HOW THAT MAY BE DONE, as there are no public records to prove any young man's age.

But aside from the difficulties of enforcing the ordinance there is the greater problem of suitable amusement places for young men about eight months in the year.

Of course, the high school student, the college student, the young man who belongs to the Y. M. C. A., or who has a pleasant home, CAN BE PROVIDED FOR WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE.

But there are other worthy and deserving young men.

There is a large class of young men who are not in the above classes and some honest reasonable effort should be made to secure them an amusement place.

Many may be inclined to sneer at this time and say, let the young men find their own amusement place, OR LET THEM WALK THE STREETS.

But that does not solve the problem, and the young men

who have been frequenting the pool and billiard parlors are worth considering.

An effort should be made to get them together and form an athletic organization WHERE WHOLESOME RECREATION CAN BE PROVIDED.

Who will move in this matter? Perhaps the young men themselves will be able to take it up and find a solution.

There would seem to be a splendid opportunity for some one TO DO SOME PRACTICAL GOOD for a class of fine and deserving young fellows who really want and require amusement and recreation along sane lines.

Salem has gone about securing municipal ownership of water in a clean, clear, logical and consistent way. The city appropriated \$1500 for the survey and report on the available water supply. Every step has been taken in the open and by men in whom the people have the utmost confidence. There will be no such muddle as the people of Eugene have got into, because the Capital Water Commission is composed of men who will labor only for the good of the city and the state whose institutions must be protected with pure water. The value of pure mountain water to the city cannot be overestimated. It will be a continual advertisement and source of pride to the city.

Eugene politics are red hot. The fight is over real or sham municipal ownership of light and water. So far the engineering bills have cost more than anything else—\$11,000 and over. It is almost impossible to tell what the city debt is. For the center of Oregon politics and the university city the pace is a warm one and the town is far from being a graveyard.

The Century for April has a fine article by Robert Hichens on the earthquake in Calabria and Sicily. He is the talented author of "The Garden of Allah," and his writings are possessed of the rare quality of transferring the atmosphere and spirit of the scene he describes to the mental retina of the reader.

These are the days of the educated man in politics. Taft is a Yale graduate. All his cabinet are said to be college men. The new minister to England is the late President Eliot of Harvard.

The Southern Pacific demonstration train is meeting with large crowds in Southern Oregon. The track-laying train will be next in order in that part of the state.

It used to be when a politician was dead that was the end of him. But now we are to have even the memoirs of Grover Cleveland.

There is now business enough for the city council so that it should hold regular weekly meetings.

Nobody will care how long Roosevelt makes his message to the Africans.

The Dalles is paving by districts.

ONE MANAGER THAT CAN "SASS" UMPIRE

(United Press Lensed Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., March 24.—The senior law class has established a precedent at the University of Washington by electing its one woman member, Miss Blanche Funk, as captain of its baseball team, which is to meet the junior law nine in the near future. The election of the pretty co-ed has nothing in it of the facetious, as "the senior laws" assert she is an able critic of the great American game, and will provide the nine with an efficient leader. She will

choose her players and announce the lineup of her team in a few days. A field captain will be chosen to manage the team in action, while Miss Funk will give advice from the bench.

TACOMA BUILDING AN AUTO TRACK

Aberdeen, Wash., March 24.—An automobile racing course, which promises to be a close second to the famous track at Palm Beach, Florida, will soon be built on the 640-acre tract of land six miles south of Cosahasset Beach, and on the south shore of Gray's Harbor, Wash. Seattle and Tacoma automobilists are behind the project, and mean to construct a club house and do other work to insure auto racing on the course this coming summer. The promoters had been negotiating some time for the land, as it provides the most ideal spot in the state to a track such as the one that will be laid.

The deal has just been closed, and Contractor Forch, who will have charge of the work, has already arrived here from Seattle to begin construction.

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