

In the United States the antipathy that the native white citizen has for persons of a different race or nationality to themselves is so pronounced that a Methodist congregation in Greater New York sold its church property because the neighborhood in which it was located was for the most part composed of foreigners. But later, thinking they perhaps had not shown just the proper spirit toward the "stranger within their gates," the money from the sale was voted to the foreign missionary work, but other money was raised and a new church built in a locality from which the foreigner was barred.

The population of Alaska as given by the last census in round numbers does not exceed 32,000. The area of Alaska is something like 600,000 square miles, or as large as Norway, Sweden and Denmark, which has a population of 10,000,000. The natural resources of Alaska are 100 per cent more valuable than those of Norway, Sweden and Denmark, and the country as well adapted to agriculture as the latter countries. Alaska has sufficient resources as well as territory to sustain a population as large as the present population of the United States.

If you are on the square and in the open in your business relations with your fellow man regardless of your color, complexion, nationality or previous condition, business men of other races and nationalities will lend you a helping hand in times of need. Recently a run was made on a bank in Richmond, Virginia, which was owned and operated by a Negro, and within an hour after the run began two of the leading white bankers of the city sent over \$200,000 to the Negro's rescue, and when the depositors saw the money rolling in by the wagon loads they took fright and the run was broken. The owner of the bank, whose word is better, perhaps, than his bond, though he be black enough to spit ink for the government, using the vulgar vernacular of the street, yet his "race prejudiced," white banker brothers rushed to his rescue the same as if he were of their complexion. Right always wins in the long run.

POLITICIANS

Representative H. E. Foster, of the 47th District, and the well known attorney, is a candidate for Speaker of the House of Representatives. Mr. Foster was a member of the 12th session and was re-elected to succeed himself. It is contended on behalf of the supporters of Mr. Foster, and his friends generally, that he would make an ideal presiding officer and that the business of the session would be handled with the greatest of skill.

Mr. Foster has been a resident of Seattle for the past twelve years and is one of the active lawyers in the city and has been actively engaged in the practice of law for the past twenty-one years. Mr. Foster is thoroughly familiar with all matters relating to the affairs of the state and country



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generally, is an excellent parliamentarian and an able lawyer. At the last session of the Legislature on account of the extraordinary knowledge Mr. Foster possesses of the constitution and laws he became known in that session as the "constitutional Lawyer of the House" and was by everyone regarded as an authority on everything relating to constitutional matters.

It is said by members of the last House and by friends of Mr. Foster that he proposed some of the most substantial legislation ever tendered the Legislature of Washington. Mr. Foster was the first one to recommend a state bond issue for the purpose of constructing a system of permanent highways throughout the state, and presented a bill for such purpose which was held up and suppressed in the rules committee of the last House, as well as many other meritorious and valuable measures. Mr. Foster guarantees to everyone and to every measure, if elected Speaker, a fair and honorable consideration. Mr. Foster's friends and supporters are urging his candidacy on the grounds of his ability and the further grounds that every measure and every member will be given a fair and honorable consideration. Measures which are suppressed and killed will be killed on the floor of the House and not suppressed in the rules committee. No measure or member will be discriminated against and measures will be reported out of the rules committee in the order in which they are received.

Mr. Foster is one of the industrious members and should and will make an ideal presiding officer. He is assured of support from all factions in the state and is beyond question the logical candidate for Speaker. He is not making any unfounded claims about his strength but when it comes to the selection of a Speaker all factions can safely unite on him as he is known by everyone to be not only able but a gentleman of integrity and will make a Speaker who will

not discriminate against any member or any measure.

All people agree that if Mr. Foster is elected Speaker he will not try to discriminate against this county. No jobbing will be countenanced. Mr. Foster now has more strength among the members elect than any other candidate, and should have no trouble about his election. If Mr. Foster becomes Speaker the business of the session will be transacted with promptness and dispatch and not left to the closing hours of the session.

Otis M. Moore, in the early statehood days of Washington, a well known newspaper man, but who has been living in the East for the past three years, returned to Seattle last Tuesday and, so far as he now knows, expects to make Washington his home for all time to come. He founded the Washingtonian of Hoquiam, and after running it for years sold it to J. D. Dean. He moved to Seattle and was for a number of years city editor of the Times under Colonel Blethen. He subsequently bought the White River Journal at Kent and later on traded it to Dean for the Washingtonian, his first love, then a small daily. Later he sold it to Albert Johnson. Laboring under the delusion that he had all of the West he wanted he journeyed back to Maine and bought a farm. Three years, however, of that life was as much as he could stand and now he is "home again." Albert Johnson has just been elected to Congress and, may perhaps, Moore will re-buy the Washingtonian. Mr. Moore was some politician in those early days as well as journalist.

Edward Cudihee, sheriff-elect of King county, has not named his deputies as yet and he will not do so until he gets good and ready. Cudihee is a man that never goes off half cocked and he therefore is going to take all the time he thinks he needs to select such deputies as will serve him best. It is thought that he will retain Matt Starwich, his Republican opponent, because Matt has made such an excellent deputy in that neck of the woods. It is also rumored that he will take care of John W. Roberts, a former Hodge deputy, who was let out of office because he did not see fit to work for Hodge's gubernatorial efforts.

Alexander J. Falconer, one of Washington's newly elected congressmen, has played a lucky political game. He has always had the opposition of the controlling political faction in Snohomish county, and yet when he himself went out for an office he always got it. He was twice elected to the house of representatives of the Washington legislature against the wishes of the political leaders of the county. He ran for state senator against one of the most popular politicians of the county, and beat him to a frazzle. He was advised by even his best political friends to not make the run for congress, but he did it just the same and won out. Surely, surely, he was born under a lucky political star.