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DEAR LAND.

There is no denying the statements of our daily contemporaries regarding the high prices and rents of land. Yet the fact of dear land ought not to discourage effort for the promotion of land settlement. The tract of land mentioned in this paper the other day, as having been offered for sale and eagerly sought in small holdings by Portuguese, does not appear to have been put at an unreasonable figure, for it was the holder who withdrew from the bargain, and that not because he could not get his price. Other tracts of land have been made available for settlement on this island, but the difficulty in the way of results has been the same as in the above case, namely, the capital was not forthcoming to make the lands ready for settlers of moderate or small means. One reason why rents are so exorbitant is doubtless the comparatively small amount of land that has a water supply. If eight or ten hundred Chinamen are anxious to secure garden or plantation plots, where there is not watered land enough for half of them, it is the most natural thing in the world for rents to go up and remain high. But the very fact that high rents are paid, and kept up right in the teeth of depressed prices of produce, ought to stimulate capital to investment in land improvement enterprises. When land that was worthless before wells were sunk on it brings in rentals of from fifty to a hundred dollars an acre, there should not be much land capable of irrigation in the Kingdom left lying very long without development. Local capitalists, however, with other investments to look after, will probably be slow to take up with movements for the improvement and settlement of land. Some of them, who receive heavy rents for the limited amount of land under cultivation, perhaps would prefer to have things remain as they are, for land improvement schemes on a reasonable basis would bring down their rents. For these reasons nothing but a large influx of foreign capital will effect speedy results of great extent in colonization. Yet there is no reason to wait for grand schemes. Gradual development is sometimes the surest and most permanent, and the success of small ventures, in a given line of enterprise, is often the necessary prelude to larger ones. It would be a pity if the press were to drop the agitation because it has been without great apparent results even for years. In a matter involving such vast issues for the future, as internal colonization does, impatience of results should not be exercised, while anything calculated to incite despair of ultimate success should be avoided. Keeping the subject continually before the public shall be the aim of the HERALD, in the hope that, if no comprehensive scheme is suddenly consummated, some land owners may be induced to lead the way to grand results by preparing small plots for settlement and sale at moderate prices. There are indications that much will be done in moderate schemes of this sort before very long.

THE LABOR FACTOR.

The commercial metropolis of the United States and that of the Dominion of Canada have each furnished a striking

sign of the times, a sign that gives the politicians of the fossilized parties in both countries much concern. That Henry George, the Labor candidate for the mayoralty of New York, should have polled a third of the votes against tremendous odds is a startling revelation to the engineers of the old machines. It has attracted world-wide attention and discussion, as a development of the rapidly increasing interest the working classes are everywhere taking in their relations to government. In Montreal a Labor party was organized shortly before the recent elections for the Provincial Legislature of Quebec, putting forward candidates in the three divisions of the city. They had as heavy odds to contend with, relatively, the Labor party in New York. Party feeling had always run high in the constituencies. The Labor candidates gave the blusterers over Riel's execution no promise of avenging that act, and doubtless many who would otherwise be attracted to the Labor banner were carried away by the cry of that faction. Although clever and of irrefragable character, the Labor candidates were comparatively obscure citizens. Against them were pitted candidates of the old parties, including a millionaire, with a fine record in the Legislature and the City Council; the Attorney General of the Province, experienced and talented in politics; one of the most consummate demagogues, who sat for many years previously in both the City Council and the Legislature, and, for the other three, all smart men of influence and good repute. Yet in the face of all the prestige, power, influence and talent arrayed against them, the Labor candidates polled remarkably large votes. In Montreal West the Labor candidate had 1,020 votes, to 1,894 for the Liberal and 2,041 for the Conservative. In Montreal Centre the Labor candidate had 1,214, to 1,178 for the Conservative and 1,875 for the Liberal. In Montreal East the Labor candidate had 2,413 to 2,869 for the Conservative Attorney General and 3,072 for the Liberal candidate. The result in every division shows the balance of power to be in the hands of the Labor party, and that politicians must in future take that party into serious account in their calculations. Both in the United States and Canada the best security for the permanence of the old parties will soon come to be that they shall produce measures of justice to the working classes. There are reforms required in the labor and sanitary laws of each country which have been prevented hitherto by the allegiance of legislators to capitalists and monopolists.

MUNICIPAL REFORM.

Whenever Honolulu is ready to adopt municipal government, its citizens should examine the new system in that regard adopted by the cities of Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee. In the former the electors vote for a Council of Ten, which appoints a Board of Public Works at salaries of \$4,000 a year each. The civic institution is run on commercial instead of political principles. Results of the system appear in the reduction of taxes, the streets converted from mud holes into paved ways, the fire department improved in equipment, and the credit of the city strengthened. Memphis, under a similar change of municipal administration, has like improvement to show, civil service reform principles having been adopted and the city transmogrified from one of the filthiest to one of the cleanest and healthiest on the continent.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

Everybody says the imported Candies at the Elite are yum-yum. Go and try some!
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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

When the Attorney-General tackles a subtle question of law, it must necessarily be *sub Rosa*.

If one sees a bad depression in the street, he should call out, "A hole, a hole," and the Minister of the Interior will send the Road Supervisor to mend it—perhaps.

An idea of the rapid growth of the American Northwest may be gained from the fact that three thousand dwellings were erected in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in the year 1885.

German exports to America last year showed the enormous increase of \$17,000,000, including \$4,000,000 worth of sugar. This is not a consolatory fact for producers of cane sugar.

A second Suez canal is to be constructed, exclusively under English auspices and control. As the present ditch must be neutral in case of war, it does not serve all England's requirements.

San Francisco papers right after the elections had Carlisle defeated without doubt, so that we did not look up later despatches for his fate. It appears, however, that he was elected by 500 or 600 majority. Morrison was defeated in Illinois. He does not think the event is a blow to tariff reform, and says he detected no sign of dissatisfaction with Cleveland's administration.

Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper has an item stating that the power of the electric railroad in Toronto, Canada, costs only two dollars a day. The equipment for one and a half miles of road cost \$9,000, the receipts are \$500 a month and after all expenses are paid a profit of 75 per cent. is realized. Information of this nature should be investigated by the holders of the franchise for the Honolulu street railroad.

The extraordinary resistance developed by recent national subscription lists in New York perhaps has caused scepticism as to metropolitan liberality. Much of this must be dispelled by the information that the Young Women's Christian Association of that city have moved into their new building costing \$125,000, every dollar of which has been subscribed. Free instruction is one of the most important parts of the association's work.

The New York State Woman's Suffrage Association applied for a place in the ceremonies connected with the unveiling of the Statue of Liberty, but were denied. They forthwith got a boat for themselves and took up one of the most favorable positions on Bedloe's Island. Afterward they held a meeting and after denouncing the ceremonies as a farce passed resolutions, declaring, "that in erecting a Statue of Liberty embodied as a woman in a land where no woman has political liberty, the men have shown a delightful inconsistency which excites the wonder and admiration of the opposite sex."

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

Mayor Smith of Philadelphia is to be impeached.
An eight-year-old lad is under arrest at Louisville, Ky., on a charge of wrecking a train.
The city of Washington has a scourge of caterpillars which are denuding all the shade trees.
A lot of youngsters in Peterboro, Canada, ranging in age from four to twelve years, have formed themselves into a Salvation Army.

Father Sherman of New York, who some months ago shocked his parishioners by marrying, has sent his wife to her parents and entered a monastery.

Some one entered the Court House at Des Moines, Iowa, and stole all the confiscated liquors stored there, thus destroying the evidence against numerous saloons.

A syndicate of Philadelphia capitalists who bought up the St. Louis Gaslight Company, have made \$750,000 by a consolidation of that with other similar properties.

A witness in a court in Rhode Island testified that she was fourteen years old and had been married five years. She could neither read nor write.

Mrs. Mary Peddington of Long Branch fell over a dog in a dry goods store in that place recently and broke her arm. She has now sued the owner of the dog for \$1,000 damages.

The Hebrews of the Province of Quebec have been practically disenfranchised by the selection of an important Jewish festival as the day of election, on which day the Israelites were unable to vote.

General Advertisements.



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