

it was believed there would be little of no further agitation on the subject until after the next apportionment shall

ing the state this year was that of Spokane. One after another of the countles appeared to accept the present Spokane. status, and it was thought the subject would be dropped this year. But since the state convention has once more pledged the party to district the state, the question is almost the absorbing

friends, in opposing the move to dis-trict the state, argue that under the present system all the people of the state have three members of Congress, whereas if each one represented only a district, then each citizen and community would have only one member of Congress that could be called on for assistance. It is also urged that the state would undoubtedly have four members of Congress after the next ap-portionment, and that the state can then he divided without danger to the

provisions of the constitution are point-ed to, and it is held that a Democratic Congress could, and doubtless would, refuse to seat the members from Washington State if elected at large instead of from districts. Attention is also called to the fact that the next appor-

The question will, from present ap-pearances, be an interesting one in the next Legislature.

DEAD OF THE NORTHWEST

J. Porter Wilson.

day at the monthly meeting of the Port-land Ministerial Association yesterday morning. An address upon "Bunyon's Ideal Ministry," which was to have been given by Dr. Ben-Ezra Stiles Ely, was MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 1.-(Special.)-J. Porter Wilson, farmer and resident of Coos County for 30 years, died at Summer today. He crossed the plains to Oregon in 1850 and took a prominent part in the Indian wars.

Mrs. Mary Denoyer.

ONTARIO, Or., Oct. 1-Mrs. Mary Denoyer died in this city last Friday. aged 70 years. She was an Oregon plon-eer and had lived in Ontarlo for many years coming to this section when it was Shaffer. She leaves a husband and five children.

Will Put Up Straight Ticket.

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 1 .- (Special.)-Democratic situation took a new and interesting turn this after-noon. A caucus was held by about 40 Democrats who are opposed to putting up a fusion county ticket, taking in any disgruntled Republicans that might be found. They resolved they would put up a straight Democratic would put up a straight Democratic take up his private business.

difference over some business transaction.

Ministerial Association Meets.

T. W. Gillette Resigns.

Rev. E. S. Muckley.

Routine business was the order of the

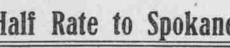
CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Oct. 1.-(Special.)—Yesterday morning our town was thrown almost into a pahle by the dis-covery that a number of petitions for Castle Rock for county seat had been stolen. They were kept in a deak in a

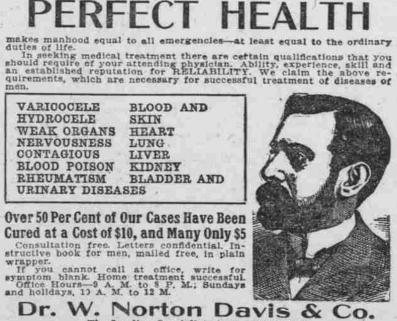
stolen. They were kept in a desk in a business house here, and some one, pre-sumably in the employ of Keiso, had taken them. After a little shrewd work on the part of leading citizens the whole scheme was unearthed and the guilty par-ties discovered, though the papers had al-ready been delivered at Kelso, and were not recovered. not recovered.

the remaining petitions were taken to Kalama last night to be placed on file with the County Clerk today.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 1 .- (Special.)-Baker County's Assessor today completed the footing up of the assessment rolls for the county. The assessment shows a great increase in wealth over last year, even considering the fact that the assessment for the present year is made on a 50 per cent basis. The total of the figures, according to the Assessor, is

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1.—The resigna-tion of T. W. Gillette, for the past six years general freight and passenger agent of the Salt Lake Railroad Com-pany, was posted today at the company's office in this city. Mr. Gillette resigns to \$8,632,590. The change in the manner of assessment valuation which was made this year has been the subject of much protest, and the berth of the County Commissioners and the Assessor has been no sine





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postponed until December. The follow-ing committees were appointed. Law enforcement-Rev. Clarence True Wilson, D. D.; H. W. Stone, Rev. E. Nel-Enough names were left on other peti-tions to allow Castle Rock to enter the race and be placed on the ticket, and on Allen, Rev. S. C. Lapham, Rev H. C. Y. M. C. A.-Rev. A. W. Wilson, Rev. W. H. Heppe, D. D.; Rev. J. F. Ghorm-ley, D. D.; Rev. B. E. Ely, D. D.; Rev. A. Increase in Baker's Wealth. Labor union-Rev. J. W. Brougher, D. D.; Rev. E. M. Sharp, Rev. F. Burgette Short, D. D.; Rev. E. L. House, D. D.;