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BY POPULAR VOTE

SHALL STATE PRINTER BE ELECTED AT THE POLLS?

Gov. Chamberlain instructs County Clerks to Put a Referendum Proposition on the Ballot Leaving the Issue Directly to the People—Issue Grows Out of Inability to Prevent the Printer Grafting Under the Present System.

The voters of Oregon will be called on June 6 to register their desire in the matter of amending the state constitution relative to the office of state printer. According to instructions from Gov. Chamberlain to the county clerks throughout the state, the proposed amendment must be placed on the ballot, to be voted on in accordance with the act adopted at the last legislative session.

This referendum proposition is a direct result of the inability of the legislature to handle the office of state printer under the present constitutional provision. There has always been friction over the office, and by taking advantage of numerous technicalities the state printer has usually managed to secure a much larger amount in fees than the legislature has thought proper.

The amendment proposes the elimination of Article XII, of the constitution. Its text is as follows:

"There shall be elected by the qualified electors of the state at the times and places of choosing members of the legislative assembly, a state printer, who shall hold office for the term of four years. He shall perform all the public printing for the state, which may be provided by law. The rates to be paid to him for such printing shall be fixed by law, and shall neither be increased nor diminished during the term for which he shall have been elected. He shall give such security for the performance of his duties as the legislative assembly may provide."

For this article in the constitution the amendment proposes to substitute the following:

"The legislative assembly of the state of Oregon is hereby empowered to provide by law for the election of a state printer, to provide for his compensation and to prescribe his powers and duties."

If the amendment is adopted and incorporated in the constitution, an act will be passed "prescribing his powers and duties" in a manner which, it is expected, will destroy the disturbing elements in the present situation.

LABOR IN LIBERIA.

Conditions in Negro Republic Described by American Consul.

American Consul Ernest Lyon, at Monrovia, Liberia, sends the following interesting report on labor conditions in Liberia to the department of commerce and labor.

Liberia is the negro colony on the west coast of Africa, to which many American negroes have emigrated within the past few years. The report says:
I submit a few facts on the question of labor in the Republic of Liberia, which, no doubt, may be of some interest to those who contemplate emigrating from the United States to this country.

The west coast of Africa is said to be hostile to beasts of burden, and especially to the horse. The absence of that animal from the sea coast would indicate the truth of this statement, though the ox and the horse thrive in the interior, and the camel and the elephant breathe their native air anywhere in Africa. Strange, neither ox, the camel, nor the elephant has been domesticated to serve the purpose of man in the republic.

This neglect is perhaps due to two causes—ignorance of the methods of domestication of these animals on the part of the civilized population and economy on the part of the trader, as it is cheaper to keep a man than a horse.

The aborigines are the beasts of burden. They do precisely what the horse and the mule—in fact, the locomotive—does in the United States. Generally the native man is as strong as an ox. His muscles are well developed on a massive frame and stalwart form; he travels hundreds of miles in the interior with heavy sacks of merchandise either on his head or across his shoulders, with only a cotter on his head to modify the weight of the load.

He conveys passengers to and from the interior in a hammock suspended from a horizontal piece of timber, the ends of which rest on his bare shoulders. In this way, for days, weeks and months, he travels across mountains and rocky plains, fording deep creeks and swimming dangerous rivers.

He tills the soil, fells the forest, digs the ditches, bridges the rivers, waits at the table and does the laundering and cooking and, in fact, everything that a man or a beast would be expected to do in the way of toil.

For these services he is compensated as follows: As a carrier for the interior he receives 24 cents per day as wages and from 8 to 12 cents for subsistence; as a laborer on the farm he receives from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per month and his rations, which consist of one quart of rice and one pound of stockfish per day; as a laborer his wages never exceed \$4.80 per month and his rations.

The ships which trade along the coast employ native men as stevedores. The average for this class of workers is \$4.80 per month. This better pay offers the native an inducement to leave the farming regions and at the time when the planter most needs him. The farmer, unwilling to conform to the new economic conditions, suffers from a lack of labor.

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A Peanut Famine.

Lovers of goobers are face to face with a peanut famine. A writer in the Chicago Chronicle says that the South has furnished the peanut supply, but adds: "The spirit of latter day commercialism has seized upon the South and threatens to sever the bond through which that section has

contributed so greatly to the gustatory delight of the nation. It appears that cotton and goobers thrive best in the same kind of soil, and the high price of cotton has caused Southern planters to devote almost their entire acreage to that staple. As the demand for cotton is increasing more rapidly even than the demand for peanuts, it is most probable that they will continue to discriminate in favor of the former staple despite its fluctuating value, and against the latter, notwithstanding the fact that the price always remains the same, five cents a bag, the country over. The effect that failure to cultivate the peanut will have upon the social relations of the masses, especially the juvenile element can only be surmised, and any surmise will be fraught with dark forebodings. Necessarily the decline of the peanut will have a tendency to restrict the pleasures of recreation,

foreshadowing as it does the doom of the gallery god and the degeneration of the circus into a hollow mockery."

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