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WINSLOW IN WASHINGTON.

"The Hon. Erving Winslow, secretary of the New England branch of the Anti-Imperialist League, has gone to Washington again to find and to impress congress."

"Mr. Winslow conferred with senators. He went home happy, telling everybody that the peace treaty was beaten. He is now going to prevent expansion, but we advise him to keep away from members of the Fifty-fifth congress who are also in the Fifty-sixth."

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"Gen. Swift is more radical and more forcible than the Massachusetts men. While they are squabbling, he has actually issued a proclamation, 'emancipating' the Filipinos. From such a leader Mr. Winslow could learn much."

THE HOUSE DOES BUSINESS.

The house of representatives has made an excellent and almost unprecedented record, says the Telegram. It has passed an important bill before the holiday recess, something seldom done. It was enabled to do this by the rules invented and put into use by ex Speaker Thomas Brackett Reed. It is easy to frame a high-sounding argument against these rules. It is true that to a certain extent they gag a minority, but this has become absolutely necessary in order to do the business of

the country, especially at such a time as this, when a great deal of legislation is necessary. The party in power is responsible to the country for legislation. And there is this to be said in commendation of the Republican party—it sticks together in a solid mass, and legislates. Good or bad, wise or foolish, it accomplishes something. If the people don't like it, they can express their disapproval after not to exceed two years' time by electing a Democratic house, as they have done on many occasions.

The currency bill passed by the house is a Republican measure. A majority of the well-informed business people of the country believe that something of the kind is necessary, and will be beneficial. So strong is that belief, especially in the far Eastern states, that eleven Democrats from that section of the country voted for the bill. Now it goes to the senate, and it is to be regretted that it cannot be pushed through that body as speedily as it was through the house. A long debate will influence nobody, enlighten nobody. But it will not be passed by the senate for several weeks, perhaps not till spring, and then probably with amendments. So it may be late next spring before any currency reform bill becomes a law.

MILITARY BLUNDERING.

Gen. Gatacre's disaster at Stormberg, in the light of full particulars, may be pronounced the worst piece of bungling in the recent history of war. While it is easy to praise the successful and criticize those who fail, the fight at Stormberg is something more than incidental defeat. It is a symptom of something radically wrong in British army leadership as opposed to the Boers. Gatacre had 4000 men, while the enemy numbered but 800. The British loss was 700 killed, wounded and missing; the Boer loss, 5 killed, 14 wounded. At this rate England might send troops to South Africa by the hundred thousand and make no substantial headway. The British have pushed the war with a headlong purpose to end it quickly and their casualties already top up 5000. Not a battle has yet been fought on Boer soil. The fate of the beleaguered British forces is still in doubt, and that all can be relieved is decidedly improbable.

The trouble with the Gatacre episode is that nothing about it was prudent, scientific or sensible. No necessity existed for the movement unless the result was certain. Defeat would cost far more than victory was worth. The men were marched over the wrong route until exausted and surprised in a position where they were helpless, though they outnumbered the enemy five to one. Ugly rumors come that the Highlanders were cut up in Methuen's last battle while they were marching at night into a position covered by the enemy's cross fire. Such generalship is on a par with navigation by ignorant pilots. No doubt the British public is deeply excited over the succession of gross blunders that fill the land with mourning. A storm of wrath will burst upon the war office if the chapter of startling mistakes is to be continued.

It has become plain to the British military authorities that if they are to conquer the Boers they will have to throw into South Africa a vastly increased army, says the Salem Statesman. The situation recalls in many respects the experience of the United States in the war of 1861. For a year and more we met with nothing, but disaster, till it began to be realized that we were fighting an enemy whose advantages of position and communication, to speak of nothing else, were such as to demand a preponderating force in armies attacking them. The British are operating at various points on a wide circle, against an enemy of at least equal numbers occupying a strongly posted inside line. Only preponderating numbers can make such a campaign hopeful. Methuen's plan of striking repeated blows would have been all right if he had had the men to spare, but he had not. In this way Grant drove Lee through the Wilderness. It cost untold lives,

but Grant had unlimited reinforcements to fill up his ranks. Methuen had none. The Boer army is as strong as his, and strongly placed. In attacking it Methuen has only wasted his men without accomplishing results. The English have before now found it hard to "beat the Dutch," but they also have the virtue of persistence and it is not to be doubted that they will fight this thing out, if it takes "all summer" and "three hundred thousand more." It is the failure to realize at the first the seriousness of the work before them—an error like our own of a generation back—that is costing them now so many wasted lives.

After one of the longest ocean races on record the Brooklyn, American-built cruiser, reached Manila four days ahead of the New Orleans, an English-built war-ship of the American navy. The speed test must afford gratification to American shippers, for the New Orleans is rated faster than the Brooklyn by the English experts.

If Joubert really wrote that letter predicting heavy losses of British troops, he can find lucrative employment in cities on this side as a seer after the war closes.

Teachers' Association at Salem.

Salem is making great preparation for the meeting of the western division of the State Teachers' Association and Department of Superintendence, which will be held there on the 27th, 28th and 29th of this month. The program which has been received by Supt. Gilbert, is excellent, and the Salem teachers are arranging a reception and other entertainment for their guests; while those who remain a day after the association are to be given an opportunity to visit the various state institutions.

The usual excursion rates have been made by the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company and the Southern Pacific Company to accommodate those who desire to attend the meeting. Persons coming over either of these lines take a receipt for their fare which, when counter-signed by the secretary of the meeting will entitle the holder to the usual reduction for the return trip. Return tickets will be honored by the O. R. & N. Co. within three days; and by the Southern Pacific within forty-eight hours after the close of the session. Tickets may be purchased as many days previous to the meeting as they are placed on sale at the several offices.

Several teachers from The Dalles are planning to attend, and others should take advantage of the opportunity afforded for a pleasant vacation trip.

Robert Thompson Dies at Los Angeles.

A letter received from Mrs. A. R. Thompson this morning tells of the death of Mr. Thompson's uncle, Robert Thompson, at Los Angeles, Calif., last Saturday.

Mr. Thompson formerly lived at 5-Mile and is very well known in The Dalles. He was the father of George, (now deceased), James, who resides at Lewiston; William of Fossil, and Mrs. Walter Davenport of Colfax. He also leaves a wife and two brothers, J. D. and D. E. Thompson, of Los Angeles.

Raising the Wrecked Engine.

Slow progress is being made by the O. R. & N. wrecking crew in recovering the battered and broken engine which hurried to death Engineer Robert Henter and Fireman Miller. Once the engine was hauled up almost on the track, but the cable broke and it went down the bank further than before.

The manner in which the engine is battered shows with what terrific force it struck the rock on the track. "Nearly every steel and iron fiber which held it together seems to have been wrenched or broken. In fact, those who saw the engine lying there in a tangled heap of wood, iron and steel, doubted if it would be worth saving for scrap iron, let alone being taken to the car shops for repairs. The work of hauling such a mass of steel and iron up a straight bank nearly 200 feet is necessarily laborious. By means of cables, worked by steam, and an incline built with great pains, the greater part of the dented engine was drawn up inch by inch. Every foot gained seemed a big advance. Just as the front part reached the main track and the workmen were congratulating themselves, the cable broke with a snap and the mass again plunged down the embankment.—Telegram.

PEOPLE YOU ALL KNOW.

Wednesday's Daily. J. B. McAtee is in from Dufur. R. Sigman is a bus inessvieto from Dufur in town today.

Mrs. H. Garner, of Centerville, is in the city shopping today. J. W. Jones, of Wasco, is doing business in the city today.

Peter Ahola, postmaster at Centerville, is in The Dalles today. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clements came in from Grass Valley yesterday.

Miss Alice Keys, formerly of this city, is in the city from Dayville visiting friends. Messrs J. O. Wilson, R. E. Butler, and M. S. Butler are in from Nansene on business.

Mrs. Wm. Combs and daughter arrived yesterday from Prineville and left on the morning train for Portland. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Blue are in from their home at Wamic, visiting Mrs. Blue's mother Mrs. Reavis. It has not as yet been ascertained whether Mr. Blue will rebuild his hotel, recently destroyed by fire.

Thursday's Daily. H. S. James is in from Grass Valley today. J. F. Martin is a visitor in the city from Rufus.

Harry Adams, of Antelope, came in from that place yesterday. H. C. Rooper, of Antelope, is transacting business in town today.

Frank Kincaid, ex-county commissioner, is in the city today from his home at Antelope. M. J. Anderson and W. H. Heiler were among the Dufurites in town yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Dufur came in from Dufur yesterday and returned home this afternoon. Asa Stogdill, one of Tygh Valley's busy farmers, came in from that section yesterday on business.

J. Gunning came up from White Salmon on the boat last night. He was accompanied by his daughter. J. A. Thronsen, who has been visiting his brother at the Oregon King mine, near Antelope, came into the city yesterday on his way to his home at Dayton. He was accompanied by Miss Blanche Riggs, also of Dayton.

John Juan came in yesterday from Antelope, and spent today in The Dalles. His trip coming in was not the pleasantest, for at Long Hollow a break-down occurred which caused them no little trouble; but the two passengers who accompanied him took the matter good naturedly and helped matters out. Mr. Juan leaves tomorrow for Portland.

Friday's Daily. M. A. Leslie, of Wasco, is in the city. C. H. Southern, of Boyd, is in town today.

J. Edwards came up from Hay Creek yesterday. O. B. Hartley is a visitor from Hood River today.

Dr. Ledgo, of Antelope, is registered at the Umatilla House. L. O. Howard arrived in the city yesterday from Prineville.

J. H. Sheerar was in town on business today, returning this afternoon. Frank Leiblen, one of Kingsley's most prominent farmers, is doing business in the city today.

Miss Kate Whipple will leave on this afternoon's train to spend the holidays with friends in Portland. Mrs. M. Willerton and daughter, Miss Bertha, were passengers for Portland today, where they will make a short visit.

Mrs. Mary Garrison and her son, David Garrison, left The Dalles a few days since for Salem, where they expect to make their home. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Byrket came up from White Salmon on last night's boat and spent today shopping. They will return tomorrow.

possession a fine gold watch, heavy chain, coat, one chee' for \$400 and another for \$200; while, when the body was discovered, none of these things were found on his person.

The report has gained credence at Deschutes that upon reaching this city he continued his spree and frequented places of questionable reputation until most of his money was spent and the remainder, with the watch and coat, stolen. He had often asserted that he was going to Montana, and it is thought to cover up the theft, he was given the impression that he was to start for that state, and placed in a box car, where he was found by the trainmen later and put off near Celilo.

What foundation there is for such impression we could not learn, but certain it is that the matter should be ferreted out and the true state of affairs determined. If Jackson had money, it should be sent to his sister whom he had been supporting, and not be allowed to fall into the hands of those who were responsible for his downfall.

From his neighbors we learn that he was generally liked by all; a man of good principles when drink had not transformed him to a beast. The remains were given respectable burial today.

Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles un-called for December 22, 1899. Persons calling for the same will give date on which they were advertised:

- Adams, Harry. Allen, Mrs. Nellie. Bennett, Mrs. Jimmie. Brown, Mrs. Ella. Clark, Mrs. M. E. Euland, Miss Lola. Hamilton, Mrs. Agnes. McKinon, Lola. McNulty, Margaret. Springer, Mrs. Mattie. Wilson, Mrs. Nettie. Williams, Mrs. G. N. Gilbert, Will. Harvey, Jack. Jones, J. Daniels Land Agency. McGee, T. Smith, J. J. H. H. RIDGELL, P. M.

BORN.

On Fifteen Mile, Dec. 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rice, a son.

At Seufert's cannery, near this city, Wednesday, Dec. 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Florer, a daughter.

In this city, Thursday, Dec. 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keller, a son.

At Dry Hollow, near The Dalles, Friday morning, Dec. 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Roberts, a son.

The Modern Mother.

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

Sheriff's Sale.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, for Wasco County. J. P. McInerney, administrator of the estate of Philip Rogan, deceased, Plaintiff. N. W. Wallace and S. F. Wallace, Defendants. My virtue of an execution, decree and order of sale, duly issued out of and under the seal of the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Wasco, to me directed and dated the 20th day of November, 1899, upon a decree for foreclosure and a certain judgment in favor of plaintiff against said defendants, and judgment rendered and entered in said court in the above entitled cause, in favor of plaintiff and against the defendant N. W. Wallace, as judgment debtor, in the sum of one thousand and thirty-two and 22/100 dollars (\$1032.22) with interest thereon from the 25th day of September, 1899, at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum, and the further sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) as costs, and the further sum of thirty and 25/100 dollars (\$32.50) as costs of and upon this writ, and commanding me to make sale of the real property embraced in such decree and judgment and hereinafter described, said decree and judgment having been rendered and entered on the 24th day of October, 1899, I will on the third day of January, 1900, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the afternoon of said day and at the front door of the county court house, in Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand all the right, title and interest which the defendants, N. W. Wallace and S. F. Wallace, or either of them, had on the 25th day of September, 1899, the date of the mortgage foreclosed herein, or which said defendants or either of them hereunto, have since acquired or now own in and to the following described real property, situated and being in Wasco county, Oregon, to-wit: The south-east quarter of the south-west quarter, the south half of the southeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-eight in township seven south, of range seven east, Willamette Meridian, containing 160 acres, or so much of said property as will satisfy said judgment and decree, with costs and accruing costs. Said property will be sold subject to confirmation and redemption as by law provided. Dated at Dalles City, Wasco county, Oregon, this 20th day of November, 1899. ROBERT KELLY, Sheriff of Wasco County, Oregon.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OR., October 7, 1899. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Saturday, November 25, 1899, viz: Isaac V. Howland, of The Dalles, Or.; Wm. E. McLaughlin, of The Dalles, Or., Tp. 1 N., R. 1 E., W. 4 M. He claims the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. B. Byrne, J. W. Jolly, Fred Sargent and J. W. Johnston, all of The Dalles, Oregon. Oct 11-31 JAY T. LUCAS, Register.

Executor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the county court of the state of Oregon for Wasco county, in probate, has duly tested letters testamentary to the undersigned as the executor named in the last will and testament of Caleb Brooks, deceased, and to administer upon the estate of the said deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same to me at the law office of Condon & Condon, in Dalles City, Oregon, with proper vouchers, within six months from this date. Dated December 22, 1899. ROLANDO G. BROOKS, Executor of the estate of Caleb Brooks, deceased. Dec-24

NOTICE.

STATE OF OREGON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, SALT LAKE, NOV. 21, 1899. In accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act Submitting to the Electors of the State of Oregon the Question of the Adoption of the Proposed Constitution of the State of Oregon," approved February 18, 1897, I, T. T. DUNBAR, Governor of the State of Oregon, do hereby certify the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, as revised by the Secretary of State, to be published by me by counties, in the following order, to-wit: By counties, in the order of the following list: [List of counties follows]

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 4. Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and is hereby proposed: That section 10 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, be and the same is hereby amended, and in the amended section 10 of Article XI shall be as follows: ARTICLE XI. Section 10. No county, city, town, school district or other municipal corporation shall be allowed to incur any indebtedness for any purpose in an amount exceeding the amount of the property therein to be assessed for the tax to be levied for the purpose of paying such indebtedness. Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1899. C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate. Conferred in by the House, February 1, 1899. W. F. KEADY, Speaker of the House. Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate. Conferred in by the House, February 1, 1899. CHAS. B. MOORE, Speaker of the House.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 11. Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, in lieu of section 7 of Article 7, be and the same is hereby proposed, to-wit: SECTION TEN. The Legislative Assembly may provide for the selection of Supreme and Circuit Judges in distinct classes, one of which classes shall consist of five Justices of the supreme court, who shall not perform circuit duty; and the other class shall consist of as many Circuit Judges as may be deemed necessary, who shall hold their terms without allotment and who shall take the same oath as the Supreme Judges. The Legislature may, at any time, by a majority vote of the Senate, reclassify any of the circuits as may be necessary. Adopted by the Senate, February 13, 1899. C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate. Conferred in by the House, February 13, 1899. W. F. KEADY, Speaker of the House. Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate. Conferred in by the House, February 1, 1899. CHAS. B. MOORE, Speaker of the House.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 21. Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and is hereby proposed: That the Constitution be amended by adding Article XIX, as follows, to-wit: ARTICLE XIX. Section 1. The necessary sum of funds for the construction of reservoirs or storage basins for the purpose of irrigation or for rights of way for the construction of canals, ditches, flumes or pipes to convey water to lands, or for any useful, beneficial or necessary purpose, or for drainage, or for drainage of waters of the work- ing fields, or for means of roads, railroads, trams, wharves, canals, bridges, locks, locks, locks, locks, or other necessary means to their complete development or any other use necessary in the construction, development, or the health of its inhabitants, is hereby declared to be a public use and subject to the regulation and control of the State.

Section 2. The right to appropriate the unappropriated waters of any natural stream to beneficial uses shall never be denied. Section 3. The use of water here appropriated for sale, rental or distribution, above all waters originally appropriated for private use, but which after such appropriation, has heretofore been or may hereafter be sold, or distributed, is hereby declared to be a public use and subject to the regulation and control of the State in the manner here provided. But the right to use and appropriate such waters shall be subject to such provisions of law for the taking of private property for public use as is provided in section 18, Article 1 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon. Section 4. The right to collect taxes or compensation for the use of water supplied to any county, city, town or water district or individual, is a franchise, and cannot be exercised except by authority of, and in a manner prescribed by, law. Adopted by the House, February 13, 1899. W. F. KEADY, Speaker of the House. Signed March 7, 1899. Adopted by the Senate, February 13, 1899. C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate. Conferred in by the House, February 6, 1899. CHAS. B. MOORE, Speaker of the House. Conferred in by the Senate, February 13, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 22. Resolving an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, by repealing section 6 of Article 1. Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring: That section 6 of Article 1 of the Constitution be and is hereby repealed. Adopted by the House, January 11, 1899. W. F. KEADY, Speaker of the House. Conferred in by the Senate, January 30, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate. Adopted by the House, January 11, 1899. CHAS. B. MOORE, Speaker of the House. Conferred in by the Senate, February 12, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 7. Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and is hereby proposed: ARTICLE I. The elective franchise in this state shall not be denied to any citizen on account of race or color. Adopted by the House, February 6, 1899. W. F. KEADY, Speaker of the House. Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1899. JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate. Adopted by the House, January 31, 1899. E. V. CARTER, Speaker of the House.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, STATE OF OREGON, Office of Secretary of State. J. E. DUNBAR, Secretary of State of the State of Oregon and Custodian of the Seal of said State, do hereby certify that I have compared the preceding copy of Senate Joint Resolution No. 4, of the Legislative Assembly of 1899, with the original thereof, and do hereby certify that the same is a true and correct copy of the original thereof. Witness my hand and the seal of the State of Oregon, at Salem, Oregon, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1899. J. E. DUNBAR, Secretary of State.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Wasco county, administrator of the estate of Antonio Jerome, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at my office in the Dalles, Or., within six months from the date hereof. Dated December 15, 1899. B. F. GIBSON, Administrator. Dec-15