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THE SENATORIAL QUESTION.

Corbett has already secured his apartments at Salem in view of the senatorial election. His sack is being filled and the vultures will soon be on the ground to get their rations.—Baker City Democrat.

This is the season (when the senatorial election approaches) that the average republican journalist finds much merit in Hon. H. W. Corbett, the benevolent Portland banker.—Jacksonville Times.

The Oregon legislature will meet in January. An election of a United States senator is booked. Every little "Jim Crow" politician in the state is preparing to lie himself thither and pick up the crumbs that will fall from Corbett's table, who is billed as the "big Injun" with the dough.—Baker City Democrat.

The query is often put forth, "will the republicans hold a caucus for the nomination of a candidate for U. S. senator at the coming session of the legislature?" Most assuredly yes; this is one of the principles advocated by the republican party. But in this caucus there should be no secret ballot, in justice to many members who compose the body. Every man is presumed to be honest, and in these days when there is suspicion of bribery and bartering of votes there is but one way for a man to clear himself of suspicion and that is voting openly and unequivocally by aye and nay.—McMinnville Transcript.

As the time for the convening of the legislature approaches, the senatorial contest waxing warmer, and the relative strength of the several candidates becomes a common topic of conversation—dividing honors equally with "the weather." The Corbett forces, led by the Oregonian, are sparing no effort to insure Mr. Corbett's election, but frequent embarrassing allusions are made throughout the state to the "hold-up" of the legislature in 1897, and the people do not seem to forget it as readily as might be wished by Mr. Corbett's friends; for Mr. Corbett and his aides get full credit for the "hold-up," and no doubt deservedly. In the meantime Senator McBride is on duty at the national capital, having reached there the evening of the opening day. His political enemies charge him with being a weak man to represent the great state of Oregon in the United States senate, and yet his colleague, and the "ring" of which the latter is the head and front, evidently consider Mr. McBride of sufficient force to guard Oregon's interests in that august body at this time, or, if we believe the other alternative, they consider the success of the "ring" of paramount importance to the presence of their able lieutenant at his post of duty. Senator McBride has given the state faithful and efficient service, and his re-election would give greater satisfaction to the masses of the people throughout the state than that of any other candidate now in the field.—Antelope Herald.

The Oregonian discovers in "a simultaneous outbreak from several newspapers in the state on the subject of the customary republican party caucuses for the senatorial nomination" the first ripple of unpleasantness in a hitherto peaceful contest. The bone of contention, as the Oregonian puts it, is over a proposal in the interests of McBride that the vote in caucus be viva voce, instead of by secret ballot as heretofore. The basis of the demand lies, not exactly as the Oregonian puts it, "in the suspicion of the McBride forces that some of their men have been captured by the opposition," but rather in the fact that Corbett has a well-filled sack and, judging by the past, very many believe that he will not hesitate to place its contents where they will do the most good. The Oregonian is kind enough to ask that the bone of contention be

recognized and that the fight for the senatorship be conducted dignifiedly and in good temper. This is excellent advice and we devoutly hope that it will be adopted. There is nothing unreasonable in the demand of McBride's friends. It is wholly in the interest of clean politics. No honest man ought to be ashamed to make an open avowal of his preference. If there is to be a caucus by all means let each member of the legislature have a chance to declare openly where he stands. In this way very much can be done to allay suspicions that are bound to arise in a secret caucus.

Senator Frye is responsible for the statement that, taking 14-knot ships up to 22 knot, inclusive, in the whole world outside of the United States there are only six today which are not running under subsidies from the governments whose flag they carry. And these are the ships with which we are obliged to compete with our American steamships, in addition to the higher cost of building and running them. Great Britain pays annual subsidies to this class of vessels amounting to \$5,855,000, Germany \$1,894,000, France \$7,632,000, Italy \$2,185,000, Russia \$1,371,000, Austria-Hungary \$1,724,000, Spain \$1,629,000, Japan \$3,492,000, and Portugal, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and Denmark lesser sums, making a grand total of \$26,355,641. The proposition known as the ship subsidy bill now before congress, so far from being unwarrantable, therefore, is a mere compliance with an ordinary maritime custom that has prevailed in other countries for years. Under the conditions that prevail in this country it resolves itself into a question whether we shall do our own foreign shipping or pay half a million every day to other people to do it for us.

The Salem Journal says: "The battle for the Oregon senatorship to succeed McBride is taking form, and suites of rooms are already engaged at Hotel Willamette for at least three aspirants, and for twenty days on and after Friday, January 11th. The legislature meets on Monday the 14th." The Journal adds that Ex-Senator Corbett will be there and will take personal charge of his candidacy. Nothing is said about the sack, but it is presumed that will be there, too. The assurance of the Journal that Mr. Corbett will "make an open fight for the honor and cast aside all the manipulating and secret methods of the past," would be encouraging if we did not know that there is not a word of truth in it.

Judge Taft confirms the view that the insurgents in the Philippines are now merely ladrones and brigands. He calls the insurrection "a conspiracy of murder, threats and assassination by a small number of Filipinos in arms against their own people." The United States is performing a great work of benevolence in the islands.

The Globe-Democrat laments that the prospective war between Portugal and Holland will not last long enough for Carl Schurz to ascertain which side he ought to be on in order to be inconsistent.

Our trade with new possessions and with Cuba has run up to \$50,000,000 a year, or three times what it was in 1897. It will be far in the hundreds of millions ten years hence.

The Presbyterians are endeavoring to make some improvements in their creed and it is pertinently suggested that here is a hint for the democratic party.

The indications are that the army canteen will give way to the half-pint flask and the bootlegger.

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SUMMARY OF TAX REDUCTIONS.

The bill to reduce the war tax has passed the house and will pass the senate in the near future and become a law 30 days after its passage. It is probable that the bill will become a law before the end of January. The following summary of the proposed changes will be of interest to many readers of THE CHRONICLE:

- Commercial brokers—Tax of \$20 revoked.
- Custom house brokers—Tax of \$10 rescinded.
- Theaters, etc.—Tax of \$100 removed.
- Circuses, etc.—Tax of \$100 canceled.
- Exhibitions, etc.—Tax of \$10 repealed.
- Bank checks, drafts, deposit certificates, etc.—Tax revoked.
- Bills of exchange, inland and foreign—Tax annulled.
- Bills of lading, etc.—Tax of 10 cents repealed.
- Telephone messages—Tax rescinded.
- Bonds—Tax 50 cents, repealed.
- Certificates for marine purposes—Tax 25 cents, revoked.
- Certificates of legal nature—Tax 10 cents, cancelled.
- Charter contracts for shipping—Tax removed.
- Contracts for brokerage—Tax 10 cents, repealed.
- Conveyances, deeds, etc.—Tax annulled.
- Dispatches, telegraphic—Tax 1 cent, rescinded.
- Insurance, life policies—Tax revoked.
- Insurance, marine—Tax cancelled.
- Leases, agreements for rent, etc.—Tax removed.
- Manifests for custom house entry or clearance—Tax cancelled.
- Mortgages, pledges of realty or personality—Tax rescinded.
- Passage tickets by vessels to foreign ports—Tax removed.
- Power of attorney, proxies, etc.—Tax 10 cents, repealed.
- Protest for notes, checks, drafts, etc.—Tax 25 cents, rescinded.
- Warehouse receipts for storage, etc.—Tax 25 cents, annulled.
- Beer—Tax reduced from \$1 a barrel, less 7 1/2 per cent, to 20 per cent, making a net reduction of 25 cents a barrel.
- Cigars—Tax \$3.60 per 1000 reduced to \$3 per 1000.
- Proprietary articles, patent medicines, etc.—Tax rescinded.

A Plucky Klickitat Lady.

There's a plucky woman living over on the old Short place, across the river, which is now owned by Mr. Harris, one of the big men of the portage road company. Officers of the law, armed with writs of execution, have invaded that country for weeks and packed everything lying around loose that belonged to any one remotely related to the portage road. Two or three days ago a justice of the peace, constable and a couple of other able-bodied Klickitaters went to the Harris ranch and, exhibiting a writ of attachment, demanded possession of some half a dozen cows that Mr. Harris' caretaker had driven into the barn before going afield to work. The demand was made of the caretaker's wife and the plucky little woman, instead of opening the barn door to the invaders, excused herself for a moment while she stepped inside the house and, returning with a loaded Winchester in her hand, addressed the four men in these words: "You see this gun? Well she's loaded for bear and I know how to shoot. You see that road that leads back to where you came from. Now you hit it, and hit it quick." It is said one of the men threw up his hands and whined: "Don't shoot. I didn't come here for any trouble," but this is probably not true. It is true, however, that the men hit the road in short order and the woman still has her cows.

Southern California.

Notable among the pleasures afforded by the Shasta Route is the winter trip to Southern California and Arizona. Renewed acquaintance with this section will ever develop fresh points of interest added sources of enjoyment, under its sunny skies, in the variety of its industries, in its prolific vegetation and among its numberless resorts of mountain, shore, valley and plain.

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That barefoot boy with fingers brown,
There looting empty in his face,
No handkerchiefs of the human race,
Are on his back; nor is he dead
To joy or sorrow, hope or dread,
For he can grieve and he can hope,
Can shrink with all his soul from soap.

No brother to the ox is he,
He is second cousin to the bee;
He insects and lets down his jaw—
And brings it up—his gum to "chaw."
Th' re's naught but sweat upon his brow,
Tis slanted forward somewhat now,
His eyes are bright with eagle light,
He's working with an appetite,
Ah, no! That boy is not afraid
To wield with all his strength his spade!

GREAT FAIR IN 1905.

Oregon Historical Society Starts the Movement—Meeting of the Society in Portland.

At the annual meeting of the Oregon Historical Society, which convened in Portland last Saturday, a resolution was adopted pledging the society to erect during the year 1905, on the site of Fort Clatsop, an imposing and enduring monument in memory of the Lewis and Clark expedition and of the brave men who accompanied it. In connection with the erection and dedication of this monument the society recommends the holding of a Northwest Industrial Exposition at Portland. Governor Geer is asked to submit to the approaching session of the legislature this action on the part of the society, and to urge upon that body a cordial and effective support of the movement contemplated. The governor is also requested to transmit to the governors of the states of Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, which were comprised in whole or in part in the "Oregon Country," a copy of the resolution with an invitation to the people of these states to participate in the objects set forth in the resolutions.

The secretary of the society is asked to communicate to the senators and representatives in congress from Oregon and the other states above-named this action of the society and solicit their advocacy of such congressional aid in the accomplishment of the purposes above set forth as may be available.

Not the least interesting part of the exercises of the day seems to have been the reading of a paper by Mrs. E. M. Wilson, of this city, of which the following is the account given in the Oregonian:

"Mrs. Elizabeth M. Wilson, of The Dalles, presented a narrative of her personal experiences in coming to Oregon. She told of the great interest of her father and herself in the Oregon country, and how they had read everything that had been published on the subject, and were ready, eager to come here when the opportunity arrived. Mrs. Wilson's paper was largely composed of notes of her trip from New York to Oregon by way of the Isthmus in 1851. She came out as one of a company of teachers. She told her story charmingly, illuminating it with an occasional comment and making it a vivid but not overcolored story. It was not loaded down with details mechanically told, but was sketchy and displayed discriminating judgment as well as good memory."

The following list of the Wasco county members of this society may be of interest to readers of THE CHRONICLE:

- Dr. W. L. Adams, George C. Blakeley, Samuel F. Blythe, P. F. Bradford, S. L. Brooks, Mrs. Annie Pentland Brooks, A. S. Blowers, Alfred S. Bennett, Mrs. W. Lord, Mrs. Mary Varney Lang, J. P. Lucas, B. S. Huntington, John Leland Henderson, R. F. Gibbons, Dr. J. A. Geisendorfer, Mrs. Bell Cooper Rinehart Ferguson, J. W. French, D. M. French, E. B. Dufur, Mrs. Camilla Thompson Donnell, Mrs. Lulu Donnell Crandall, George F. Crowell, T. R. Coon, Robert Mays, Mrs. Olivia Wallace Morgan, Z. F. Moody, Malcolm A. Moody, George T. Prather, E. L. Smith, O. L. Stranahan, Dr. D. S. Sidall, Dr. J. F. Watt, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Wilson, William Penn Watson.

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PEOPLE COMING AND GOING.

Monday's Daily.
Sheriff Kelly went to Mosier this afternoon on business.

W. H. Moore, the Moro banker, was in town last night, the guest of the Umatilla House.

D. S. Dufur went to Moro today to superintend the placing of two of his patent closets in one of the hotels at that place.

Mayor E. B. Dufur left Saturday to look after his mining interests in Southern Oregon. He does not expect to come back here until February.

Acting Postmaster F. S. Fisher, Miss Dawson, delivery clerk, Judge H. Mays and Attorney W. H. Wilson have gone to Portland as witnesses in the H. H. Riddell case, which was to come up for hearing in the federal court at that place today.

Tuesday's Daily.

Dr. Hollister arrived here today on the noon train.

W. H. H. Dufur, George Dufur and W. H. Staats were in town today from Dufur.

DIED.

Thursday, Dec. 13, at 8:30 p. m., Chas. Denton, son of Chas. W. Denton, a pioneer settler of Mill Creek, at the age of 34 years. The cause of death was typhoid fever, following a severe attack of the grippe. The deceased leaves a wife and one child.

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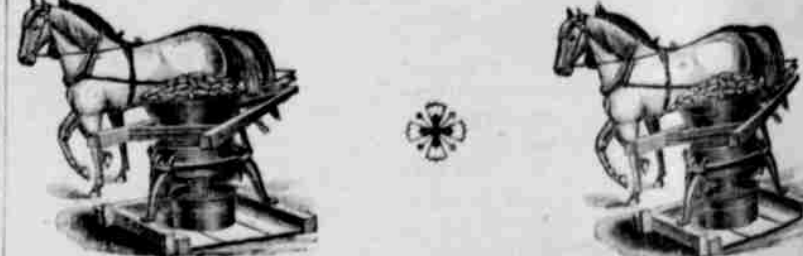
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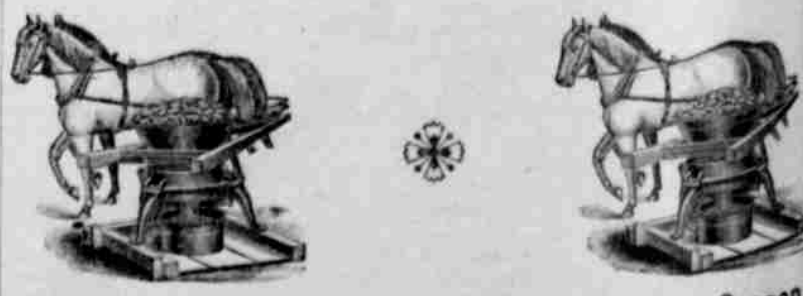
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