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THE WORK OF CONGRESS.

There was benefit derived from President Taft's special session of congress. He did not accomplish all he had hoped to do, but he did cause some very good laws to be passed.

Canadian reciprocity will work out all right in the end. This was carefully weighed on all sides by the president whose future in public life depends upon the success or failure of this one measure.

The special session of congress has shown the nation that President Taft is an able man; that he is an honest man, and that he accomplishes more by diplomacy than others have accomplished by threat and bluff.

LA GRANDE PEOPLE TO THE COAST.

Another evidence of the stability and prosperity of La Grande was the excursion to the coast last evening when 320 people from here, went for a few days' pleasure at the beach.

And that is but one instance of La Grande's supremacy along the line of commercial life. Other proof is obtainable from freight shipments in and out of this city.

In fact, there is no argument

against this city as a place where any man who will work can make good.

MEDICAL GRADUATES IN 1911.

The total number of medical graduates for the year ending June 30, 1911, was 4,273, a decrease of 167 below 1910, and 242 below 1909, of 468 below 1908, and of 707 below 1907. It is the lowest number graduating since 1900, says the Journal of the American Medical Association, and is 151 less than the number graduated in 1890.

Reports from Wallowa county by people who live there state that everything is looking well, that money is more plentiful than it has been for some time and generally speaking there is appearance of a most prosperous season.

Union county is represented on the tax commission by Will Church, representative from here, and in that representation this county has a man who will not advance any sky rocket ideas, but who will be ready to revise the tax laws in the interest of equity and fairness.

Perhaps you have overlooked preparing that exhibit for the county fair. If you have you should reconsider the matter and have in the pavilion the very best products the soil of this county produces.

"THIS IS MY 54TH BIRTHDAY."

James Wickersham, the Alaskan delegate in congress who has been testifying before the congressional committee appointed to investigate the Controller Bay (Alaska) affair, was born in Patoka, Ill., Aug. 24, 1857.

to congress. Mr. Wickersham's home in Alaska is in the town of Fairbanks.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- August 24
1572--Massacre of St. Bartholomew, in which 70,000 French Protestants were slain by orders of Charles IX.
1682--John Maitland, Duke of Lauderdale, one of the advisors of Charles II, died. Born May 24, 1616.
1777--Washington's army marched through Philadelphia on its way to the Chesapeake.
1797--Thomas Powers, agent for the Spanish governor Carondelet, arrived at Detroit to endeavor to interest Gen. Wilkinson in the Spanish intrigues in the west.
1814--British army took possession of Washington, D. C.
1835--Sir John Gosford, Earl of Colborne, took office as governor of Canada.
1847--Republic of Liberia inaugurated
1863--The great Parrott gun "Swamp Angel" burst while bombarding Charlestown, S. C.
1867--Thomas Green, second governor of Florida, died in Tallahassee. Born in Virginia, Oct. 24, 1785.
1884--Fochow, China, bombarded by the French.

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

Congressman Rodenberg of Illinois has accepted an invitation to deliver the Kansas Day oration at Topeka next January.

Edward Freeman, editor of the Pine Bluff Commercial, is a candidate for the congressional nomination in the Sixth Arkansas district.

The 'wets' have begun their campaign to have the question of local option submitted to the voters of Oklahoma this fall. The state is now statewide prohibition.

Adherents of Governor Woodrow Wilson are now in Vermont and New Hampshire laying plans to capture the delegates to the democratic national convention for Wilson.

In the Maryland primaries next week Philip Lee Goldsborough, who holds the position of internal revenue collector, will receive the republican nomination for governor.

The Illinois Equal Suffrage association is planning an automobile tour which will begin at Danville, Sept. 11, and terminate in Chicago a week later. Members of the association will speak in the interest of equal suffrage at all cities of importance along the route.

The Prohibitionists will be the first to arrange for the national campaign, having decided to choose the date and place of their convention the 6th of next December. This will probably be the only party to begin the presidential activities of 1912 in 1911.

Louisiana is in the midst of one of the liveliest campaigns for United States senator that it has experienced in many years. It is a three-cornered race, with Governor Jared Y. Sanders, Congressman Robert F. Broussard of the Third district and Congressman Arsene P. Pujol of the Seventh district as the contestants.

The passing of Senator Frye of Maine means that Governor Plaisted will name a democrat to fill his unfinished term, which will expire March 3, 1913. It will be the first time in half a century that the Pine Tree state has been represented by two democrats in the United States senate. The last time was in 1848-53, when her senators were Hannibal Hamlin and James Ware Bradbury, both democrats.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

James K. Hackett will have two plays next season, one by the author of "The World and His Wife," the other by James Fagan.

The coming season Wm. A. Brady will make two musical productions, "The Violet Widow," by Dorothy Usher, and "The Merry Bachelor," by two well known writers.

Early in October the first New York production of George Broadhurst's la-



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test play, "Bought and Paid For," will be made, with Charles Richman in the leading male role.

When Wm. A. Brady produces "The Earth" at the Playhouse, New York, Mrs. J. Bernard Fagan, wife of the author, will have a part. The leading role will be played by Grace George.

Ethel Barrymore's first new York engagement in "The Witness for the Defense," will be played at the Em-

pire theatre, following the season of John Drew. Her leading man will be A. E. Anson.

Wm. A. Brady has acquired the American rights to "The Gods of the Mountain," a sensational short play by Lord Dunsany, which has been running at the Haymarket theatre, London, for six months.

In November, a new American melodrama will be produced at the Manhattan opera house, New York. The

scenes of the play are laid in New York City and the far west. There will be more than 50 speaking parts.

Hilda Spong has been selected to play the title role in "Everywoman," when James S. Williamson produces the play in Australia the coming season. Miss Spong originally came from Australia to join the Daniel Frohman stock company at the old Lyceum theatre.

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