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HERE'S ONE ON FISHER

Not very long ago Secretary of the Interior Fisher was passing through La Grande on his way to Alaska. On the train was a prominent railroader who wanted to meet Mr. Fisher but did not know him.

The conductor got busy with his punch and tickets he had collected, the traveling man was delighted to meet the secretary but soon had to go to another car, while the railroad official was left alone with the United States official to talk irrigation at Hermiston and other important matters that affect the Eastern Oregon country.

DEMOCRACY AND THE SENATORSHIP.

The press of the state seems to be worried because there is indication that Senator Chamberlain and Governor West will not support Senator Jonathan Bourne for re-election, if he is nominated.

on record. But there is little doubt as to what Senator Chamberlain and Governor West will do if the contest lies between a democrat and Senator Bourne.

Our guess is however, that Jonathan is not worrying the least bit over affairs in Oregon. He is said to never worry and it would seem the statement is correct, for no other state can point to a member in the upper house of congress who does spend enough time among the people who elect him to get one change of linen laundered.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- 1815—Illinois adopted a state constitution.
1819—Prince Albert husband of Queen Victoria, born. Died Dec. 14, 1861.
1836—Buffalo and Niagara railroad opened.
1859—First oil well bored by E. L. Drake at Titusville, Pa.
1862—The Minnesota militia, under Col. H. H. Sibley, advanced against the Sioux.
1863—General Burnside's force crossed from Kentucky into Tennessee.
1886—The Grand Army of the Republic began its 20th national encampment in San Francisco.
1890—Fire destroyed McVicker's theatre in Chicago.
1891—Decennial census placed the population of Canada at 4,823,344.

"THIS IS MY 60TH BIRTHDAY."

H. James Palmer. Hon. H. James Palmer, the Liberal party leader who a few months ago succeeded F. L. Hazfard as premier of Prince Edward island, was born in Charlottetown, August 26, 1851. He was educated in the public schools of his native place, in the Prince of Wales college, and King's college, Windsor, N. S. After studying law in the office of his father, who was a noted lawyer and chief justice of Prince Edward island at the time of his death, he was admitted to the bar in 1876 and the following year was made a barrister. Mr. Palmer's public career dates from 1900 when he was elected to the general assembly. He was defeated by a small majority at the general election of 1904, but was re-elected four years later. Previous to his taking office as premier last May he had held several cabinet positions.

EDITORIAL SNAP SHOTS.

The final H was officially added to the name of Pittsburg in honor of Hans Wagner, of course.—Chicago Tribune.

Haiti used to be spelled Hayti, but since she has been given those two "i's" her vision is no clearer.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

By the way, have you noticed that congress has not ventured to investigate any of Hetty Green's enterprises?—Newark News.

We haven't raised the Maine, of

course; we only lowered the ocean; that's just like the United States.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Perhaps George W. Perkins—note the W.—refused to answer those interrogatories because he couldn't tell a lie.—Chicago Tribune.

After all, wasn't this Morocco disturbance a press agent's effort to create more interest in bookbindings.—Salt Lake Herald-Republican.

Colonel Roosevelt acted on his own initiative in the Tennessee Coal and Iron company merger. He omitted the referendum entirely.—Houston Post.

Representative Littleton complains that when the president beat him at golf the newspapers got out extras to tell about it, but when he beat the president, not a paper noticed it. He might refer this scandal to the Stanley committee for investigation.—Buffalo Express.

NEWS FORECAST FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Both Political parties in Maryland will hold their state primaries Tuesday for the selection of candidates for the state offices to be filled at the autumn election. Interest centers chiefly in the spirited contest for the democratic gubernatorial nomination between State Senator Arthur P. Gorman and State Senator Blair Lee. Phillips Lee Goldsborough will receive the republican nomination for governor without opposition.

Republicans of Alabama will hold a state convention in Birmingham on Thursday to select a new state committee and chairman and to consider the state representation in the next national convention.

The republican candidate for congress to succeed the late Alexander Mitchell as representative of the Second Kansas district is to be nominated by the congressional committee at a meeting to be held Monday in Kansas City, Kas.

A conference of state railroad commissioners is to be held Tuesday in Lincoln, Neb., to discuss methods of obtaining physical valuation of railroad property.

Tuesday is the day fixed for the consecration of Rev. John E. Gunn as the Roman Catholic bishop of Natchez, Miss. The ceremony is to take place in Atlanta, with Archbishop Blenk of New Orleans officiating.

Governor Baldwin of Connecticut, former Justice Brown of the United States supreme court, and Baron Uchida, the Japanese ambassador to the United States, are among the notable speakers scheduled to address the 34th annual meeting of the American Bar association, which will begin its sessions in Boston Tuesday.

The season of fairs and exhibitions will reach its height during the week. In addition to a dozen or more state fairs in various parts of the United States the week will see the opening of the annual industrial exposition in Milwaukee, the Canadian National exhibition in Toronto and the provincial exhibitions in Quebec, British Columbia and other sections of the Dominion.

The political campaign in Canada is expected to be continued with increased energy on both sides. Sir Wilfrid Laurier will carry his campaign into the maritime provinces, while Robert L. Borden, leader of the opposition, will continue on the platform in Ontario and Quebec.

The statue of Steuben, which has been presented to Germany by the American congress, is to be formally dedicated in Berlin Saturday. The statue is to be dedicated in the presence of the emperor, the American ambassador and many other notables, and the function will be made a picturesque and literary ceremonial.

Other notable events of the week in the foreign field will include the great German naval review at Swinemunde, the annual meeting of the British Association for the advancement of Science, which will meet in Portsmouth, and the beginning of the festivities in celebration of the centennial of the Royal Frederick's university at Christiania, Norway. At the last named event the United States will be represented by a delegation of well known educators.

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BASEBALL NOTES.

A new law in New Hampshire forbids the posting of baseball scores in saloons.

Dick Cooley has his Salt Lake team well up in the Union Association race.

"Bugs" Raymond is back in Chicago and spending his time pitching for the boys on the lots.

The heavy hitting of Tim Jordan and Al Shaw has put the Toronto fans all to the joy.

Sharon, Pa., has taken over the defunct Newcastle team in the Ohio and Pennsylvania league.

The Cotton States league teams do not seem able to stop the Vicksburg outfit, which look like sure winners.

Cincinnati has sent infielder Jack Grieves to the Huntington Mountain State league team for the remainder of the season.

In Curtis Coleman of the Tacoma team, the New York Americans get the class among the third basemen of the Northwestern league.

Cravath, Grimshaw and Denny Sullivan, three ex-Boston Americans, are arriving from all parts of the state.

leading the American Association in stick work.

The American Association of minor leagues will meet in San Antonio, Texas, in November. The meeting will bring together nearly 1,000 baseball men.

Ping Bodie, of the White Sox has three brothers playing baseball in California. The Bodie family may become as famous on the ball field as the Delehantys.

Pitcher Douglass who has been purchased by the Chicago White Sox, from the Macon, Ga., club, has a record of 24 victories out of 31 games in the South Atlantic league.

Manager Steve Flannagan of the Brockton New England league team has purchased first baseman Barry of the Brantford, Ont., club. Barry is leading the Canadian league in hitting.

San Francisco has a semi-professional team composed of Irish boys, playing under the auspices of a Chinese merchant and managed by a Jew. Mary, put away the scissors, I hear thunder.

Young Men's Institute Meeting Santa Cruz, Cal., Aug. 26.—The annual convention of the California grand council of the Young Men's Institute began here today with the reception of the numerous delegations in St. John, Halifax, Charlottetown, Moncton and several other places.

Tomorrow there will be a street parade, followed by the celebration of a special mass in the open air. The business sessions, beginning Monday and continuing three days, will be liberally interspersed with entertainment features.

TEA PRICES SOAR.

Condemnation of Big Shipment Boosts Tea Prices Today.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—Tea prices in the wholesale market took a jump today when it became known that the federal authorities had condemned 60,000 pounds of tea from China because it contained coloring matter which is against the law. It is admitted at the customs house that probably the greater part of China's 30,000,000 pound tea crop this year will be refused admittance to the United States. This applies to Japan, also.

Mint Employees Alarmed.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The mint employees are making themselves as busy as possible. Orders for retrenchment are coming and those whose services can best be dispensed with will be the women.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Campaign. Montreal, Que., Aug. 26.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier closes his campaign in the Montreal district tonight. The premier will spend the coming week in the maritime provinces, speaking in St. John, Halifax, Charlottetown, Moncton and several other places.

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