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CONGRESS is still talking. Nothing more.

LET us hear from our readers with nominations for governor of Oregon, to succeed Sylvester Pennoyer.

THE repeal of the federal election law passed the lower house of congress Tuesday. The senate will now have something else to talk about.

WHY is it that there is so little sociability among the people of Oregon? Does it cost anything to spend an evening with your nearest neighbor, and later, your neighbor visit you? The early days of Oregon were vastly different.

THE loss of life occasioned by the tidal wave on the coast of Louisiana reached over two thousand. How fortunate we are in Oregon. A few drops of rain, more or less, makes but little difference but we never have it all come on the land at once as in South Carolina and Louisiana.

POOR POLK county! She has always had a standing stereotyped boast, "no cyclones" but alas, a little one visited us on Monday, just a young baby cyclone, as it were, but it was a cyclone just the same. Our Kansas residents can however console us, if they will by telling how much worse cyclones they have in Kansas.

THE electoral college which elected Grover Cleveland, was composed of 444 persons; 277 voting for him 142 for Harrison and 22 for Weaver. Had every Southern state, called the solid south, been disfranchised Cleveland would still have had enough votes to have elected him. It is therefore seen that states where the negro question does not figure and where protection should find friends elected Cleveland. We would like to really know whether in view of the "change" of the one year now closing any if those voters regret their acts.

As day after day passes by, and week after week also, and still the senate of these United States does absolutely nothing, the people begin to question their own wisdom in sending to Washington, men who are so negligent of the country's interest as to allow it to languish as it is now doing. Men may differ as to what constitute good and bad money, gold standard or silver standard, free coinage or no coinage, but all will agree that times are critically hard and that the democratic party being in power is expected to do something to relieve the distress. In both the house and senate the republicans are in a hopeless minority. Why cannot the party in power act quickly and positively? He who hesitates is lost, and for that reason we believe the democratic party is fast drifting on the shoals.

To the average everyday man of the world, who judges more from what he sees than he hears, the many repetitions of brotherly love in the ceremonies connected with secret societies, or else in the church by the lay member or the minister, fall as empty sounds until he sees some of that feeling of brotherly love manifested. Sickness is one of the best tests of the sincerity of professions of any such kind, for it takes a sacrifice of time and personal comfort to wait on the sick and suffering. The member of a secret society, or the member of a church, knowing his brother to be sick, and falling to call and even comfort his brother with a few words of cheer, is not doing his duty, and is a living reproach to the organization of which he is a member. Of course this lesson is not intended to apply to any of our readers, but nevertheless it has a general truthfulness.

DEMOCRATIC PRAYER.
Mighty, all Obstinate and near-All Fat Cleveland, our great hunch-bellied political god, again we bow before you in humble submission. Each day, as this world which was made for thee, is hurled

through ethereal space faster than a hungry Democrat can run for office, we have additional proof of thy greatness. We have read thy message. We have gulped it all down and now we lie stretched out in the sun of political hope, like a snake who has swallowed a frog, waiting for it to digest. Yes almighty and powerful master, there is a panic throughout the land. It is spreading disaster everywhere. It has knocked the everlasting stuffing out of the seat of our pants, and left its imprint all over our clothes, and our children and our children's children. The gentle sephyr of the summer's breeze fit familiarly through the holes in the knees of our pants and playfully kiss the cuticle where the gentle and patient wood-tick and the festive flea have just finished a sumptuous meal. This is all very well in the summer time, but we would thank thee, our most adored political father, if thou wouldst stop the panic before the chill blasts of winter have a chance to peep into the open windows of our pants. We know, most respected and adored master, that thou knowest we had a panic! In thy great wisdom thou hast found it out before it was three months old, and straightway thou throwest down thy fishing pole, kicked over the bait can and settest to work to snatch the panic bald headed. We thank thee most kind master, for even mentioning us in thy message. We thank thee for thy desire and efforts to give us a "good dollar". We implore thee to make it better than anybody's dollar. The more it will buy the better it is. Oh, great and mighty Cleveland, if thou couldst make it buy ten bushels of wheat and fifty pounds of cotton, if we get hold of one we would know how to appreciate it. "There is no excellence without great labor," and the more labor it takes to make a dollar the more "excellent" it is. Mighty master, make it good. Make it better. Squeeze into it more labor, more hogs, more cattle, more grain. It will cost you nothing. We will furnish the "more labor, more hogs, more cattle, more grain" Squeeze them into the dollar. It will be money in thy pocket, and money in thy pocket will put feed into thy paunch. We thank thee most excellent master for thy friendly interest in behalf of the bankers. Make their paths easy and their burdens light. Increase the value of their dollars and the number of their mortgages. Give them gold and demolish all silver with the lightning of thy wrath; Help us oh mighty Cleveland, to love our enemies—all but the Populists. If England smites us on one cheek let us turn up her the other. If she asks for our coat let us give her our cloak also. But whatever thou doest, most excellent, adored and mighty master, don't fail to help us put the Populists to flight. They press us sore on every side. They laugh us to scorn and make faces at us in public places. Last campaign we accused them of deception and lying, and now they have proved by the words of thine own mouth, most adored master, that we have lied. It is written, "oh, that mine enemy had written a book," but that's just what's the matter with us. Our enemies have written too many books. And they increase not only in knowledge but in numbers. The political midwives whom thou has sent out to slay all new-born male babies are either hooded or don't arrive in time. And this increase is a sore vexation. Besides, no people in the world have such memories. They have recorded every promise we have ever made. They point to the McKinley bill as the "culminating atrocity," remind us of your promise to repeal it and exclaim, what they remind us of our "change" and point to you as you fish at Buzzard's bay or shoot snipe at Hog Island. They recall our sacred promise of better times and then point to the numerous business failures, the shutting down of factories and mines, the thousands of unemployed, the low price of wheat, cotton, cattle, hogs and the general scarcity of money. They sorely perplex us and we know not whither to turn. Oh, most excellent and mighty master, is there no balm in Gilead! Is there no place where we can turn our face to hide our shame! If we had an office we could stand it without complaint. We would eat our pie and let the heathen rage. We could buy more with our salary and would scoop in the property while it is low. But the panic which it has pleased thy greatness to create hit us as hard as it did the Populists. Our houses and vineyards are mortgaged and our daughters are given in bondage. Our creditors dun us and we have not the wherewith to supply their wants. We know there is something the matter, but we don't try to know what it is, for it would be treason to thee and our great party. Thy ways, oh mighty Cleveland, are past finding out. But we trust thee. Take us under the wing of thy protection. If the bankers need our property give it to them. But this we ask of thee: Deliver us from the Populists. Issue an edict compelling the men whom we elect

The Public Schools of Independence.

Corvallis School Commission.

The Independence public schools were formed by the union of school districts 29 and 38 on the 22nd of March, 1890. A school had been conducted in North Independence since about the year 1860, and in Independence proper since about the year 1867. The growth of the city and the increase of the school population led to the consolidation of the two districts. Immediately after the union of the two districts a building site was secured and the present building erected in 1891.

It is heated by steam, furnished in natural wood throughout, has large basement play-rooms and commodious cloak rooms. Each of the eight rooms is well lighted, is supplied with modern school furniture, has black-boards around the room, teacher's wardrobe, and closet for apparatus. The building with the land on which it stands, and its furniture, cost about \$30,000.

A good school course of eight years, and a high school course of three years is sustained. Some of the best teachers of the state have been connected with the Independence schools and they have always enjoyed an enviable reputation. It is the aim of the management to make the work thorough, practical, modern, to develop thought rather than memory.

The number of graduates from the public school since the establishment of the graded system has been nineteen, and from the high school two. The graduating class of the present year numbered seven.

An exhibit of the work of the schools was prepared and forwarded with the Oregon Educational Exhibit to the World's Fair. At the end of the school year a public exhibit was made, comprising over thirty volumes of manuscript work, in different studies from the different grades, several large charts of drawings, thirty small volumes of individual drawings and much miscellaneous work. The exhibit was well attended and the character of the work and its execution received many compliments from the visitors. The people of Independence are justly proud of their beautiful school building and the excellent advantages it affords. An able corps of teachers have been engaged for next year, and Prof. C. A. Hitchcock has been re-elected as principal.

Mr. Hitchcock is a modest man, but after some solicitation has given the details of the following sketch: C. A. Hitchcock was born and educated in Ohio. As a boy he attended the district school, later he graduated from the Jefferson Educational Institute and from Grand River Institute, receiving from the latter the degree of B. S. He earned his education by work in the saw-mill, factory and school-room, receiving his first certificate to teach when sixteen years of age. His first teaching in a graded school was at Conneaut, Ohio, in the grammar school. In succession he was Principal of the high school at Piermont, Ohio, Assistant at Jefferson Educational Institute, and for three years Superintendent of schools at Collinwood, Ohio. Declining a re-election at an increased salary he came to Oregon in 1892 as Principal of the Independence School, and in 1893 was again elected to that position. Mr. Hitchcock has made an excellent record wherever he has labored, and has never left one position except to take a better. He has strong executive ability, is a successful teacher, an able institute instructor, a good speaker, and an enthusiastic worker devoted to his profession; to his professional merits he unites a pleasant and genial manner and excellent social qualities.

County Court.
PROBATE—Estate of J. K. P. CAVITT—petition for final settlement granted, Executor discharged.

Estate of S. A. Craven—final settlement continued till October 5, 1893.

In matter of claim of E. T. Young against estate of H. Dove—testimony taken. Ordered that claim be disallowed.

Estate of S. K. Connor—final settlement to be had October 7th.

COMMISSIONERS COURT—In matter of paying for Gay Creek bridge—warrant for \$214.50 issued to C. F. Royal in payment of same.

Matter of H. R. Grant road No 2—Petition read. Clay McTimmonda, George McEwe and F. M. Lewis appointed viewers, to meet with surveyor to view said road, October 16, 1893.

Matter of Warren Frost road—Petition read. Same order of court as in preceding matter.

Omaha, Neb., May 5, 1891.

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J. K. Wetherford for Governor.
INDEPENDENCE, OR. Oct. 11, 1893.
TO THE EDITOR.—The WEST SIDE asks for names of nominees for Governor at the next general election. We present the name of J. K. Wetherford as a man endowed by nature with executive ability and as a man who in all the walks of life stands beyond reproach. In official life he has been honest, in public and private life he is the peer of any man, and with all he has always been found on the side of the people. Nominate and elect J. K. Wetherford and Oregon will have a Governor she may well be proud of.

S.S.

TAKE NOTICE.
If the person who took my umbrella from the Baptist church Sunday evening, will return it to the WEST SIDE office, I will be much obliged, as it was a present from a friend.

Mrs. W. L. WILKINS.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Wheeler & Fuller, in the blacksmith business in Independence, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to and by the firm are to be paid to H. A. Fuller, who will pay all debts of said firm.

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