DOLPH IS CONFIDENT

WILLING TO LET FREE-SILVER CANDIDATES TALK.

It's Votes That Count-Views of Various Legislators Upon Matters of Public Importance.

besieged by callers at his office yesthe legislature will, undoubtedly, carry out their desires. Aside from this, there were individual assurances of support from members of the legislature. The



Senator Dolph Reflective.

genator's friends, who have made a study of the situation and who are in position to know the nature and extent of his strength, appear to possess undiminished confidence in his election. They express themselves as wholly satisfied with the outlook, and say that one ballot in the caucus will settle it. The free-silver canes opera-bouffe features that attract public attention and amuse

THE OLD ROUNDER AGAIN.

The Truth About Those Cignrs-Unprofitable Interview With Dolph.

The old rounder who expressed his views on the senatorial deal between Mr. Fulton and Mr. Tongue in pesterday's oregonian, was conspicuous by his presence in the Ferkins hotel during the day. He was met by an Oregonian representative lunt as he was coming out of the tive just as he was coming out of the parroom, wiping his mouth and smoking vigorously on a newly-lit cigar. "Well." he said, as he took a vacant seat in front of the windows, cocked his feet upon the sill, tipped back his chair, and clevated his clear at a proper angle, "this has a little flavor of old times, though things ain't by no means what they was. Why, I have just been up to Fulton's room, and what do you think he offered me? Just a clear, and a mighty poor one at that. No use for corkserews up there. I think No nee for corrections up there. I think charle saw the disgust on my face, for he spoke privately to one of the boys, and put in an appearance there was a general put in an appearance there was a general ruch to "pump" him and see how he and pretty seen the young fellow asked stood. At times the lobby of the hotel me if I wasn't going down stairs, and I told him I was, and we went in and had a drink together. The proper way to win voters is to offer judiclous refreshment to the inner man. Yes, sir, the inner man I am surprised that a man like Charlie don't know that. And he's lived a long

"What's all this dodensted rot I hear out Charlie and Tom treating their ends out of the same box of cigars? It ain't so. It's one more of them gold-

facts about this cigar bu Why Infurnishing the cigars for this free-silver

Well, Bill, he replied, Till let you on the inside. It's a little of the private ock Jonathan had left in his sideboard at the club. He gave me a box and Char-

wasn't a smoke nor a drink in s Finally, I got in and I says to him:

"'Well, Joe, how's things?"
"'First rate, Bill,' he says."
"'Joe,' says I, 'I think they've got you "That so?" he says, pretendin' to be

"That so?" he says, pretendin' to be surprised. 'I am sorry to hear it.'

"Well, it is pretty tough lines Joe,' says I. 'But you've got yourself to blame for it. You sin't done nothin' for the boys. Here you've been foolin' away your time in Washington makin' speeches on the Niggeragoway canal, and the tariff, and the federal elections law and such The leading feature of the senatorial and the federal elections law, and such contest continues to be the pretentious rot, and incidentally gettin a few millions talk of the free-silver candidates, and the expressive stlence of the friends of Sena-Coos bay and Yaquina, and the Willam tor Dolph. The cenator himself will make ette, and the Yamhill, and every dod-no statement for publication. He feels gasted little creek in the state. Why confident of re-election, and is content to let the other fellows do the talking. He ers? You whacked 'em every time you got a chance. It's a demnition sha terlay, and received many assurances of Look at Jonathan, reduced to the low support, and of the fact that the people level of writin' for the papers. And of the state expect his election, and that don't you represent your constituents, and come out for free silver? says L. What d'ye think he had the nerve to answer? "'My friend,' says he 'I'm no populist.

Free eliver is wholly wrong in principle, and, if adopted, would absolutely destroy the financial integrity of the government

and be ruinous to our industries."
"Rot your principles," says L. 'It ain't a question of principle, It's a question of bread and butier. What's Jonathan and all the others who are interested in silver mines going to do, I'd like to know? Starve? No, sir. Not as long as they have mouths and throats, and lungs and wind to how! for free silver. You're mak-in' a mistake. You'd better quit standin' in with old Cleveland, and Wall street and give the boys a tuen. Why, things has got to such a pass that some of the boys ain't got one 10-cent piece to rub against another."
"Suppose we adopt free silver, and the

government's sliver coinage is unlimited? How will the hoya be able to get hold of silver or any other money without workin' for it?' says he.

in' for it? says he.
"'How'l they get hold of it? says L.
"Great Jupiter, man, if we have free silver, ain't it free?"
"He didn't make no answer. I had him

there, and he knew it. But it didn't do no good to convince him of the error of his ways. I still had hope that things might be fixed all right if he'd do the square thing. I told him so. But he dein't take the hint, and I was forced to leave him to his fate.

"When I got back to the hotel lobby I heard a miserable rumor about Charlie, and I went up to see him about it. "Charlie, says I, 'the goldbugs are sayin' downstairs that if the populists had carried the legislature last spring, you'd a been a candidate for the United States senate on a free-silver platform, just the same?"

"'It's an infamous libel, he said, very indignant. Besides, he added, after a moment's reflection, 'Pennoyer had the thing all bottled and corked for himself, anyway, and I wouldn't 'a' stood no show with the pope,'

The old rounder threw away the stub of his cigar, and started off, saying he was going to tell Mr. Bourne what Dolph

AT FREE-SILVER HEADQUARTERS. A Good Deal of Talk, but No Special

Developments.
A spirit of loncliness pervaded the Fulton-Tongue senatorial headquarters the most of yesterday. The two leading freesilver aspirants were in and around the Perkins most of the day, but callers who dropped upstairs were scarce. Both candi-dates spent much time in the lobby. The Patterson trio-Orin, Otis and Alva-were there; Jonathan Bourne made an occa-sional call; "Lou" Cleaver, ex-registrar of the La Grande land office, and Charles M. Donaldson, the Tennersee politician, spent most of their time watching for newcompresented an animated appearance Groups of men would gather about dis cussing the situation, and more or less

enthusiasm was manifested when some one put in a good word for free silver. Very few of those who will have a vote in the senatorial election openly declared themselves in favor of any candidate, and ands out of the same box of cigars? in't so. It's one more of them gold-lies. I went up to see Tom this that Senator Dolph, which once claimed that Senator Dolph would not get a vote from I want to him: Tom, I want to know the bottom statement. The discovery has been made that the gentleman will have several from that section of the state, and the fact has had a depressing effect on the anti-Dolph workers. They still say "Dolph is beaten," but not in very loud tones; is fact, hardly above a whisper, and then only amongst themselves.

He a box, and he says to go ahead and give 'em to all the cow county members the consolation when he came in, and was



AT FREE-SILVER HEADQUARTERS who dropped in. He said they wasn't not afraid to express his choice fo worth a finker's centinental, and he had. Tongue, but that was about all the con no use for 'em, and the old grangers solution enjoyed during the day. Som wouldn't know the difference, anyway. one started the rumor that hold-over Sen that way of conducting a campaign my-gelf. I never did believe in bribery," Tom's all right, but he's got to get a lit-tle more experience. What d'ye think he done this morning? One of them legislators from up the xalley, who is a preachopped in and Tom talked to him for our about the superior merits of the Hambletonian steek of race-borses. That's worse than Washington-county tobacco. It don't do a man no good to have a silver tongue if it's loose at both When Tom found he was on the wrong tack, he switched, and asked the her if he didn't think the Young Christian Association had it in for Dolph, because Dolph supported old Cieve-

"I dropped around to see old Dolph this morning. He says he ain't got no head-quarters, but that's all a blind. What's adquarters? I had to wait half an yesterday, and found himself a much-cerned, he has not yet determined whom

didn't know the difference, enyway, one started the rumor that hold-over Sen at's all there is to it, Bill. I don't like after Maxwell was for Tongue, because somebody else had seen them eating breakfast together, but the statesman from Tiliamook would not verify the report. Mr. Fulton did not take m in it, as Maxwell, being one of his strongest supporters two years ago, when a car didate for president of the senate, could hardly be turned from his Clatsop friend by such a triffe as a breakfast,

There was also considerable of a gath ering of politicians at the St. Charles dur-Several of the members the state. made that their headquarters, and wer more or less sought after by politician and those interested in the political wel fare of their friends. Quite a number of candidates for subordinate positions were also about the hotel interviewing members and pressing their individual claims for

What Umatilla Wants.

Mr. E. J. David, one of the representa-tives-elect of Umatilla county, arrived

sought man by the senatorial campa workers. So far as his choice was o cerned, Mr. David was entirely non-co mittal, but ventured the general opinion that possibly the delegation would not be unanimous in its vote. There might be such a thing as a compromise, and then the name of S. A. Lowell would be

brought forward.
So far as legislation for Umatilla cour ty is concerned, Mr. David said he would urge the passage of a labor lien law to protect harvest hands and farm laborers, to take precedence over mortgage claon property. Last summer, he said, many workingmen were defrauded out of their workingmen were defrauded out of their wages for want of such legal protection."

An amendment to the irrigation laws pertaining to riparian rights, which the Raley bill does not cover, will also be sought. The most important local legisintion will be the effort to form a new county out of the east and northern part of Umatilla. For the past eight years such an effort has been made at the legislative sessions, but the friends of the new county hope now to attain their object. Many petitions are out, receiving signatures in favor of forming the new coun tures in favor of forming the new counity. Milton will probably be the temporary seat of government, and the permanent county seat settled by an election,
should the bill pass.

Senator Price will seek to have the assessment law amended so that exemption
of certain kinds of indebtedness will be

allowed.

Representative Shutrum will introduce
a bill defining a lawful fence, and providing for the assessment of damages
caused by the trespass of stock.

Mr. J. P. McManus, editor of the Pendleton Tribune, speaking of the senatorial
situation, said: "The sentiment in Umavilla county is in favor of J. N. Polph, A.

tilla county is in favor of J. N. Dolph. A petition has been in circulation in favor of S. A. Lowell, with the understanding that, in the event of Dolph's election be-ing impossible, the delegates of Umatilla county would support Lowell. They may also give him a complimentary vote. republicans who are opposing Dolph are those who left their party sometime ago, and supported the 'Dolly Varden' ticket; but, after the great victory of Novem-ber last, they all tried to scramble back into the band-wagon. While no one knows exactly what the members from Umatilla will do, it is certain that Mr. Dolph will receive a portion of the vote."

Mr. Wright a Candidate.

Mr. Joseph A. Wright, of Sparta, Unio county, will arrive in Portland today and open his campaign for the speakership. His friends say that he has never though of withdrawing from the race, but has been detained at home on personal business that he could not neglect. It is ex pected that the first thing Mr. Wright will do on his arrival will be to make formal innouncement of his being a candidate. He will make the St. Charles his head-quarters, rooms being yesterday reserved for him. Mr. Wright is classed among the free-silver advocates, and his candi-dacy for the speakership is regarded by some as likely to precipitate a test of strength between the two factions in the party over a choice for senator. The man who is elected speaker will have the making-up of the house committees, and every member belonging to the majority party is more or less anxious to be placed at the head of some important committee. This distribution of honors will make the can-vass for speaker between Mr. Wright of Union, C. B. Moores of Marion, and C. A. Sehlbrede of Douglas decidedly interest-

To Protect Siuslaw Salmon Senator R. F. Alley, of Florence, Land county, who is now in the city, wisher that for the next 40 days and nights he could spell his surname with a "z." He is first on the senate roll, and a man in that position is always regarded as a steering committee of one for others of his party to follow when called upon to vote. Only once last session was he taken by surprise, and he had to ask that

his name be passed for a minute, This session he will introduce a special bill for the protection of salmon in the Sinslaw river, to be independent of all other fish laws. He wants more stringent laws for that stream than any other in the state, so that the hatching of young salmen can be carried on. He will also again inroduce a bill for the protection of young girls, fixing the age of consent at 18 years. A similar bill was defeated at the last session, but he hopes it will now be passed. Senator Alley says he is pledged to no one for senator. The Lane county delegation will hold a meeting at Salem to consider the question, and the chances are that they will vote as a unit on a choice for United States senator.

A New Tax Law Proposed

Mr. Ira Smith, of Monmouth, one of the representatives of Polk county, says that the recents of the state normal school, at outh, will ask for a small appropriation, so as to meet the running expenses of the institution of learning. He will also introduce a bill amending the pres ent assessment law, so that the collection of taxes can be made at different period of the year—in the spring and fall. Als that the state, county and chool taxes shall not only receive their full propor-tion of the collections, but be made to stand their proportion of losses, on ac count of uncollected taxes. The bill will provide a 5-per-cent penalty, and 8 per cent interest on all delinquent taxes, and also that the publication of the delinquent list in a paper of general circulation will be sufficient notice, doing away with the expense of the sheriff's making a levy the property. Mr. Smith was formerly sheriff and tax collector of Polk county and has made the assessment laws a special study, and through his experience hopes to remedy existing defects.

For An Experiment Station,

Mr. Will R. King, the populist joint se tor for Buker and Malheur counties, will try to secure an agriculture experimen-tal station for Eastern Oregon, and an in-terstate bridge over Snake river, somewhere between Ontario, in this state, and Payette, Idaho. Such a structure will cost about \$12,000, and Senator King says hat the Idaho legislature will appropriate half the money if he can secure a similar

ourn from this state. Representative Young, of Baker county dso a populist, is a miner, and will try to have some changes made in the presan amendment designating the manner of cating claims, and also defining how many days of labor shall constitute sufficient amount of assessment work a cinim, to the extent of \$100 required by

After the American Book Company Mr. Christopher P. Yates, of Washing elect, says that his county has nothing particular to ask for from the legislature except an amendment to the assessment law, so that taxes may be collected on two payments, and the re-enactment of the mortgage-tax law. He also wants a complete overhauling of the office of suerintendent of public instruction, and he and his colleagues are interested in as certaining if the American Book Company owns the state of Oregon, Yates will support Thomas Tongue, who is from his county, for United States senator so long as that gentleman has a chance for election, but if he has not, he not pledged to support any other perthinks will best serve the interests of

To Restore the Mortgage Tax. Mr. H. G. Guild, representing Yamhill and Tillamook countles, will endeavor to ecure an amendment to the assessm law so as to provide for exemption of in debtedness. The feeling is also strong it Yamhili county, he says, for the restora ion of the mortgage tax law, and also that the collection of taxes can be made in the spring and fall, one-half at a time. So far as the senatorial contest is con-

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ie will support, more than that he will vote for a good republican. Mr. Guild resides in the same senatorial district as

What Morrow County Wants. Mr. L. S. Boothby, representative for Morrow county, says: "We want a change on the assessment law so that there will be an exemption for all indebtedness on real estate. We also want precinct as-sessors and a repeal of the law consti-tuting a state board of equalization. Its real estate. function can be supplied by county boards. We also want a portage road from The Dalles, so as to give us an open river. Morrow county wants a man for senator who will favor free coinage of American silver, and protection to silver bullion by a tariff. My choice is Thomas A.

Senator-Elect Johnson and Silver. State Senator-elect A. J. Johnson, of Linn county, writes to The Oregonian asking to be set right on the silver question. He was reported Wednesday in The Oregonian to be opposed to free coinage of silver, and a remark about his "op-position to silver" was incidentally used. Mr. Johnson states that he is "opposed to free and unlimited coinage of silver, but is a warm friend of silver, and wishes the greatest possible amount of the same consistent with conservatism." He is opposed to extreme views.

Col. N. B. Knight Not a Candidate. Mr. N. B. Knight, formerly of Salem, but now of Lake county, wants it un-derstood that he is not a candidate for United States senator. He says, if reorters don't stop making candidates. there will be so many in the race that Dolph will be surely beaten. His pres-ence in Portland is due entirely to professional business, and he has not interest

CAPT.LAMSON RE-INSTATED Ready to Retire.

Captain R. H. Lamson, ex-clerk of the United States circuit court, yesterday re-ceived a telegram from Washington in-forming him that he had been appointed a lieutenant in the nevy; that is, restored to the rank he held when he resigned in 1866, at which time he was flag lieutenant of the European squadron.

Captain Lamson's record and distin guished service in the war of the Rebel-tion are well known to the public. After having served through the Indian wars of 1855 and 1856, in the Second regiment W. T., mounted volunteers, he was ap-pointed a cadet to the naval academy at Annapolis, being the first cadet sent there from the Pacific coast. He grad-uated at the head of his class, and went into service in the navy in 1961. He saw considerable service, went through many hardships, was wounded four times, and won great credit for bravery and ofclency at the capture of Fort Fisher. where he commanded a gunboat. He re-signed in 1866 to engage in business, and having met with reverses, returned to Oregon, and went to farming in Yambili county. Afterward he was appointed cierk of the United States courts, and held this position until about two years

In 1871 congress passed a bill authoriz ing the president to reinstate him in the navy. He, however, did not ask to be reinstated, and, as long as he was able to work, he was not willing to take any back pay or pension. After he was compelled to resign his position as cierk of the United States court, on acount of Ill-health, and was not able to do anything, he wrote to President Cleveland and called his attention to the bill passed by congress, and asked the president to exercise the authority conferred, and appoint him a Heutenant in the navy, in order that he might be placed on the setired list, on account of disability in-curred in service during the war. This application was indorsed by the bench and bar of the United States courts. It was presented by Senator Delph last spring, and has been under advisement ever since. It was referred to the secre-tary of the navy, who made a report strongly approving it, and all the naval officers joined in a recommendation for its approval. Wednesday the nomination was sent to the senate, and was approved

As soon as Captain Lamson receives hi the retired list, and given a pension. Owing to the effect of the wounds and hardships Captain Lamson endured in the navy, his health has been poor for a long time, and he says he has not drawn a breath free from suffering for 15 years. He was feeling very cheerful yesterday, and was much pleased with the honor done him, and glad to be back, figuratively, at least, among his old comrades. Of the \$4 members who were in his class, only four, are left in active service. Two of them were killed along side of him in the capture of Fort Fisher

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As the Northern Pacific local train, due here at 5:30, was approaching the city. yesterday evening, it passed over the body of an unknown man, who had evidently deliberately planned to commit suicide. The accident happened between the power-house and the North Pacific mills, and the first to discover it was John Crumby, employed as electrician at the powerhouse. He immediately notified Coroner Cornelius, and an investigation showed that the man had probably laid his head upon one of the rails, carefully arranged his body so that it would not be mutilat-

and then waited for death.

The body, when found, was lying outside the rail, and the hat of the deceased lay close to the remains as though carefully placed in that position. Death must have come instantly, as the man was decapitated.

The body was taken to the morgue, but last night no one was found who could identify the remains. Deceased was apparently about 30 years of age, 165 pounds weight, five feet, eight inches in height, and wore black chin whiskers, and long hair. His right thumb had been amputated at the first joint, which fact may lead to identification. Only a razor and a pair of scissors were found in the pockets. Not a paper or letter was found to dis close his identity. The body will be kept at the morgue, in the hope that someone will identify the remains, but, this failing the death of the unfortunate man.

RIVER TAX LEVIED.

Six-Tenths of a Mill by the Port of Portland Commission.

The port of Portland commission held a meetings yesterday, to decide what amount of tax should be levied for the use of the commission in improving the river yearly. The commission is empowered to levy a tax of 1½ mills for general purposes, and, in case of emergency, half a mill for special purposes. It was suggested that the commission might be able to get along on a half-mill levy. Mr. Hughes was not in favor of paring down too close, as there might be repairs needed, which would be of urgent

recessity.

The federal appropriation for the im provement of the rivers was mention Chairman McCraken said this was \$50,000, and was to extend over two years. It would be spent at Postoffice bar and other points for dredging, revelments, etc. There was likely to be considerable dredging

It was stated that half a mill levy, after interest on the bonds was paid, would leave only about \$7000 to be expended on river improvements. An additional one tenth of a mill would realize about \$5000

In reply to one of the members, Chairman McCraken said there was \$3400 com ing from the late treasurer. This had been reckoned as on hand, but was not onsidered as available,

Mr. Failing said it was the duty of the commission to enforce payment. They had no call to take into consideration whether banks could pay or not. Mr. Hughes moved that the commission levy a tax of six-tenths of a mill, which motion carried.

In regard to collecting the balance du from the late treasurer, James Steel from the late treasurer, James Steel, Chairman McCraken said the matter had seen talked over a number of times, but nothing had been done. It was believed ds were sufficient. Mr. Hughes moved that the finance com-

nittee be directed to proceed with the collection of the amount due from the former treasurer, which motion curried. Mr. Hughes offered the following reso

Whereas, George B. Markle has ceased to reside within the limits of this port, "Resolved, That his place on this com-mission be declared vacant." It was asked if it were a fact that Mr. Markle had given up his residence here. Mr. Hughes said he had moved all his household goods, family, horses, etc., away, and had shaken the dust of Port-

land off his feet, and it is understood that he is never to return. The resolution was adopted, and the satter of filling the vacancy created was

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