CABINET WILL COME

President to Have Company on Western Trip.

WILL WORK AS THEY TRAVEL

Oregon Is to Be One of the States Visited—Representative Moody Extended an Invitation on Behalf of Its People.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Representative Moody started for home this morning by the Southern route. Before leaving, he paid his respects to the President and urged him on behalf of the people of Oregon to visit the state during his trip to the Pacific Coast, as the Oregon people were anxious to see him. President McKinley replied that he looked forward to his visit to Oregon and to Portland with a great deal of pleasure, as he has never been there. He will leave Washington April 29. It is the present intention that the entire Cabinet shall accompany the President on this trip which will practically put the Government on wheels. The special train will be kept in close touch with Washington, and all important matters which cannot be adjusted by subordinates will be referred by wire to the Presidential party, which will have a full working force in attendance. Senator Shoup this morning invited the President to visit Idaho during the proposed tour. Mr. Moody goes to Palm Beach, Fla., by way of Atlanta, Savannah, St. Augustine and Jacksonville; then to New Orleans and home through California, over the Southern Pacific. He will only make brief stops at the important points which he has never visited before.

Senator Mitchell has gone to New York, but expects to return to Washington and stay several weeks before going home.

Hon. John Barrett, of Portland, this afternoon delivered a lecture before the Geographical Society on the "Growth of Asia."

Captain Charles H. George, Sixteenth Infantry, has been ordered from Hot Springs to Vancouver Barracks to assist in organizing the Twenty-eighth Infantry.

CASE OF CHILD-BEATING.

Man, Charged With Brutal Assault, Pleaded Guilty.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 12.—A case of child-whipping has come to light here that is causing much excitement. J. M. Meiklejohn, a carpenter of this place, was yesterday arrested on a charge of assault and battery, to which he pleaded guilty, and will be sentenced Wednesday. His offense consists in whipping his 8-year-old boy in a most unmerciful manner. Great red welts still show plainly across the lad's back, and on his legs are stripes and gashes. Saturday morning a family living near the depot discovered the little boy in front of their home. He was in a pitiable condition, and carried with him an apple-box containing some clothing and childish effects. When taken in he told his story, which was that Friday he was carrying his father's lunch, and being hungry, took from it three biscuits and ate them. When the theft was discovered by the parent, the boy says a rawhide was used on him until his legs bled. Next morning he was trying to escape when picked up by the kindly-disposed neighbors. The latter kept the child until yesterday, when the father made an urgent demand for his return. Rather than comply with the request, the case was placed before District Attorney White, who immediately had a warrant issued for Meiklejohn, charging him with assault and battery.

When arraigned before Judge Eakin yesterday, Meiklejohn pleaded guilty to the charge. District Attorney White is determined that the Judge shall not pass sentence until he has seen the bruised and slashed child, that the limit may be imposed. A photograph of the child has been taken, showing the condition of his back and legs. The underclothing he had on at the time of the whipping is also held as evidence, as well as the blood-stained garments worn some time afterwards. A stepmother is in charge of the Meiklejohn family, which consists of four children besides the one so badly whipped. District Attorney White will begin proceedings to have all the children taken from the father and stepmother and placed in charge of the Boys' & Girls' Aid Society, or other proper institution. A strong sentiment is growing against the father, and if all the facts as now understood become widely known it is feared by some that he may be dealt with violently.

BAKER CITY SCHOOL DIRECTORS.

Increased Population Calls for Board of Five—Three Just Chosen.

BAKER CITY, Or., March 12.—C. A. Johns, N. C. Haskell and O. P. Tsom were yesterday elected School Directors for Baker City. The School Board will hereafter be composed of five members. Heretofore the number has been three. The increase is due to the official census, which gave the number of inhabitants as nearly 10,000, instead of 4000, the former basis of election. This will be Mr. Johns' third consecutive term as School Director.

Baker citizens take much interest in educational matters. The public school is one of the best in the state. At the Omaha exposition the school carried off the gold medal for superior work. An effort is being made to have a creditable exhibit at the Buffalo exposition, with the hope of again capturing the first prize, or at least one of the big ones. Mr. Johns, as a member of the School Board and for the past year its chairman, has been identified with all the work that brought the standard up so high. His re-election is taken to mean a continuation of the same progressive conditions, as the newly elected members are in harmony with the hold-over officials.

Ernest Liebes, of Spokane, today announced that the Spokane brewery syndicate had decided to erect a brewery here. Rheinhart Martin, president of the Spokane syndicate, visited this place recently, and was known to have negotiated for land. For a time it was understood that the Spokane firm would buy out the Pacific Brewery Company, owned by Henry Rust, but if the purpose of the syndicate is as stated by Vice-President Liebes, a new plant is to be erected. The capacity will be 10,000 barrels annually. A fair-sized cold-storage plant will be connected with the brewery.

WANT JAPANESE TO GO.

Labor Representatives Confer With Railroad.

ASTORIA, Or., March 12.—The Astoria Federation of Labor at its regular monthly meeting held last evening, appointed a commitee of three to confer with Superintendent McGuire, of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad, relative to the discharge of the Japanese laborers who are employed by the railway company as section hands and for unloading cars.

The suits against E. J. Johnson, the contractor for the removal of the Silvia de Grasse reef, came up for trial this morning and resulted in a practical agreement between the lawyers as to a settlement although the formal legal process of the sale of the attached property will be gone through with. Two claims are in dispute as to the amount due but it is believed that this can be agreed upon without trial. In the regular course of proceedings the attached property will be sold and purchased by Hale & Kern for a sufficient amount to satisfy all claims and costs. This procedure is observed to protect the purchasers, who are the real owners of the property, from any other debts that might appear against Johnson.

Captain Nick Webber, superintendent of the Eagle Cliff cannery, who was here today, stated that there was considerable illegal fishing in progress near Eagle Cliff and further up the river. The fishermen are making good catches with small pieces of net and in short drifts, so he feels assured that there is a good run of salmon now in the river.

FUNERAL OF OREGON VOLUNTEER.

George Fox, Who Died on the Way Home From China.

BROWNSVILLE, March 12.—The body of Private George Fox, of the Fourteenth Regiment, now in China, who died on a transport while en route home from that country, was received here yesterday evening and immediately taken to Crawfordsville, the home of his parents. The funeral occurred today. The body was received at the depot by a large number of the friends, who wrapped the casket in the Stars and Stripes.

Of the three young men from near Crawfordsville, Bert Chandler, Lincoln Gay and George Fox, who enlisted in the Spanish-American campaign, all are in their graves. The former died from the effects of a gunshot wound received in battle, while the latter two died of disease.

Funeral of Corporal Guy Price.

OLYMPIA, March 12.—The remains of Corporal Guy A. Price arrived from Manila, via San Francisco, Monday evening. The funeral was held at 2 P. M. today from St. John's Episcopal Church. The ceremonies were conducted by the National Guard, under the direction of Governor Rogers, Commander-in-Chief, and Major Drain. Detachments from Companies A and D, National Guard of Washington, from Tacoma, under command of Captain Driskall, arrived in Olympia in the forenoon, and served as an escort to the funeral cortege from the church to the cemetery. Rev. H. L. Badger conducted the religious services and at the cemetery a military salute was fired over the grave by the companies of the Guard. The floral tributes were beautiful and elaborate. Friends of the Price family were in attendance from Portland, Seattle and Tacoma.

Funeral of Mrs. John Spaulding.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 12.—The funeral of Mrs. John Spaulding, who died here Sunday, took place today. The Rev. Mr. Hyland, of Portland, conducted a brief funeral service. The Vancouver Lumber Company's mill, where the husband of the deceased is employed, closed down, and the employes attended the funeral in a body.

Mrs. E. P. Cadwell, of Forest Grove.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 12.—Mrs. E. P. Cadwell, a daughtef of Professor Joseph W. Marsh, of Pacific University, died at her home here today, aged 33 years. Mrs. Cadwell was born in Forest Grove, and graduated from Pacific University, with the degree of M. S., in 1886. She left a husband and two children.

FINDS FAULT WITH GEOGRAPHY.

Superintendent Ackerman Receives Rather Odd Protest.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—Superintendent of Public Instruction Ackerman has received a letter from a resident of this state pointing out what he considers a serious fault in the geography now in use in the public schools. The letter, with some corrections in spelling and grammatical construction, reads as follows:

"To the Superintendent of Schools—Sir: I notice in Monteith's geography the statement that in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. I wrote Mr. Monteith asking him to be kind enough to inform me how he knew. Not having heard from him, I take the liberty to address you. Even if it is a truth, it has no place in a school book. If it is a truth, please inform me how you or any one else knows it to be such. And in the geography I find the statement that Adam and Eve were the first man and woman, and that they lived in Asia. Who knows that to be true? Even if it be true, it should have no place in a school book. If these two statements are true, I want to know it. I have lived on this earth 77 years and never have found either to be a truth. All that any one I have asked says, is, that somebody told them so. You being a highly educated man, perhaps you may know. Please tell me and oblige."

Superintendent Ackerman answered the letter, declining to discuss the questions propounded.

UNUSUAL LIGHTNING STORM.

Trees Split Asunder and Window Panes Broken Near Corvallis.

CORVALLIS, Or., March 12.—Reports received from a thunder storm that prevailed in Southern Benton County Saturday afternoon show unusual phenomena for storms in this section. A huge fir tree within 250 feet of the residence of John Rickard, several miles south of here, was struck by lightning, and a large part of the trunk for 80 feet above the ground shivered and rent. The concussion was so great that 18 panes of glass in the residence were shattered, one on the north side being pulverized. The panes on all sides of the house were smashed, but those on the east suffered least. A fir tree 100 yards from the home of Peter Rickard, 13 miles south of town, was also split asunder, and set on fire. The storm was of about 15 minutes' duration, and was accompanied by a very heavy fall of hail.

Linn County Circuit Court Adjourns

ALBANY, March 12.—The business of department No. 1 of the Circuit Court for Linn County was completed this afternoon and the court adjourned, after a two days' session. There was only one jury trial, being the case of Moon against the City of Albany for board of three smallpox patients, and that was dismissed by the court on nonsuit without going to the jury. The big damage suit of Luckey against Lincoln County was continued, on account of the inability to secure depositions from Indiana in time. J. D. Kennedy, indicted for gambling, pleaded guilty and was fined $10. The case against F. L. Ries, indicted for the same offense, was continued on account of the absence of an important witness, also under indictment for gambling. Two boys, Fred and Arch Hancock, indicted for burglary, were permitted to plead guilty to simple larceny, and were fined $50 each.

City Election Will Be Live Contest.

BROWNSVILLE, Or., March 12.—A strong effort will be made at the city election to be held the first Monday in April, to choose officials who will favor saloons. The anti-vice forces have controlled the city government for the past year, and do not propose to release it without a struggle. The two Councilmen from the Third Ward have declared in favor of saloons. Another Councilman, with the Mayor, would place the saloon element in control. Both sides are confident of victory.

1900 Tax Roll Opened.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—Sheriff Durbin today opened the 1900 assessment roll for the collection of Marion County taxes.

Persons whose occupation gives but little exercise are victims of torpid liver and constipation. Carter's Little Liver Pills will relieve you.

OREGON'S WOOLGROWERS

THE THIRD ANNUAL SESSION WAS WELL ATTENDED.

Officers Elected and Many Matters of Importance Discussed—Heppner Next Meeting-Place.

THE DALLES, Or., March 12.—The third annual meeting of the Oregon Woolgrowers' Association, which was called to order here this morning at 11 o'clock, in the parlors of the Commercial Club, by President F. N. Jones, resulted in the transaction of much business and the highly satisfactory discussion of matters of interest to the association. A large number of members from all parts of Wasco County, together with representatives from Sherman, Umatilla, Crook, Morrow and Wheeler Counties were in attendance.

The short morning session was occupied by the usual order of business, after which an adjournment was taken for the purpose of allowing local members to consult with Captain Ormsby, regarding the Summer ranges in the Cascade reserve.

Upon reassembling at 2 o'clock reports of the various committees were read, after which the convention proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. The result follows:

President, Douglas Belts, of Pilot Rock, Umatilla County; vice-president, Hon. J. N. Williamson, of Prineville; secretary and treasurer, F. W. Wilson, of The Dalles.

The remainder of the afternoon was occupied in discussion of questions affecting the association, prominent among which were the use of shoddy by manufacturers; taxation and range privileges. Speeches were made by Captain Ormsby, George A. Young, H. C. Rooper, W. H. H. Dufur, John O'Leary, E. C. Goodwin and others. The convention adjourned at 5 o'clock, after naming Heppner as the place for holding the next meeting, which was appointed for the 10th of next September. General satisfaction is expressed in regard to the amount of business covered by the convention.

FINE BED OF PEAT.

Discovered by Accident in Suburbs of Baker City.

BAKER CITY, March 12.—A fine bed of peat has been revealed in the suburbs of this place by excavations for a warm-spring bathing resort. Tests made prove it to be very combustible, even when used before drying. On the surface of the bed is a thin layer of ash or very similar material, which is penetrated by roots. It is presumed that some day the peat bed was ignited and burned off the surface, probably to the depth of standing water, as the ash is said to be exactly like peat ashes. The bed beneath is about 12 feet in thickness. Owing to the fact that fuel is rather plentiful here now, because of the direct railroad connection with the yellow pine timber belt, discovery of peat has no particular interest. But if the new combustible will answer all ordinary fuel purposes, which seems evident, at some time in the future the bed may have considerabe value. Herman Fuchs, who has charge of the property and is conducting the excavation work, is draining the land. This land is a portion of the tract that is likely to be set aside for a park for Baker.

C. E. Gault, of Montreal, secretary and treasurer of the Virtue Consolidated Mines Company, arrived here last evening to look over the company's mining properties, located near this place. For the past few months a rumor has been current that the company, which is composed largely of Montreal capitalists, expected to resume operations at the old Virtue mine. Secretary Gault will neither affirm nor deny this report. It seems that his visit is for the purpose of examining the property carefully, which he is doing with the aid of General Manager Arthur Buckbee, who is now in charge of the Cumberland mine, at Silver City, Idaho, owned by the same company.

The Virtue is filled with water, and a great expense would be necessary to put the property in working condition once more. Re-timbering has been done in a portion of the shaft, but not to any considerable distance, as the work was begun after the pumps had been withdrawn and the mine allowed to fill with water. It is stated by those in position to know that much new machinery would have to be put on the property before operations would be possible, as the hoist and pumps have suffered from their long disuse.

The Virtue was the heaviest producer in Eastern Oregon in its day. For years its name was synonymous with wealth. George W. Grayson, of San Francisco, who owned the mine previous to its purchase by the Montreal company, made a fortune out of it. He closed the property down. The reason is variously stated, but is generally believed to have been because of a difficulty with the management of the Consolidated Virginia, which adjoins, over the expense of pumping. The Virtue, being located on the same vein with the Consolidated, drained the latter, so that in sinking there no pumping was necessary. Grayson made a proposition to have the Consolidated management bear a certain portion of the expense of pumping the Virtue, which, being turned down, withdrew his own pumps and stopped work. When the Virtue filled with water, the shaft in the Consolidated did the same, and work had to cease. Thus both properties have remained ever since. People interested in the mines of this district have waited patiently to see some amicable agreement entered into, or a purchase of one property by the management of the other.

Mr. Gault does not give out any information concerning the objects of his company, other than it will be about two months before anything definite is decided upon. Election of directors was held yesterday, which was merely formal, as the stockholders are Canadian capitalists who are in accord, and no purpose exists to change the officers of the company. If work is commenced, it is understood that General Manager Buckbee, of Silver City, will have charge.

Red Hills Ore May Pay to Work.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—L. M. Ormsby, a Salem metallurgist, has assayed samples of ore from the gold-bearing rocks recently discovered in the Red Hills, south of this city, and found that the samples assayed from $1 to $16 per ton. Not knowing how the rock will yield on an average, he can express no opinion on the question of whether it will pay to operate for the gold. He is of the opinion, however, that the rock contains enough iron to make the mines pay.

IN FAVOR WITH IMMIGRANTS.

Several Eastern Homeseekers Purchase Clark County Lands.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 12.—Clark County is beginning to receive its share of the immigration to the Pacific Coast. A number of Eastern homeseekers have purchased land within the last month. Most of those who come or write—and the latter are many—appear to belong to the well-to-do class, and want improved farms. Upwards of a half-dozen good farms in the county have changed hands during the past week. There is a good demand for residence property here, and a number of transactions of that character have been made.

Jacob Duback, one of the wealthiest and best-known citizens of Clark County, is reported seriously ill at his home near Fisher's.

Military Orders.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., March 12.—Applicants for promotion to Second Lieutenancies have been ordered to report to the commanding officer at the Presidio, San Francisco, March 15. Following are the candidates: Electrician Sergeant Edward Gottlieb, First Sergeant Joseph I. McMullen, Corporal W. A. Sitterley, William S. Barriger and Emmett S. Sullivan of Troop H, Sixth Cavalry; William J. Varnes, Twenty-sixth Company, Coast Artillery, Corporal Edward Berg, Lee Barker, Hugh Heaton and Hugh A. Parker, Thirty-fourth Company, Coast Artillery; Sergeant Julius Wineburg, Andrew I. McGuff and Arthur Simmons, of Company C; Corporal James N. Bowers, Carl S. Everett and Edward Spier, of Company M, Seventh Infantry.

Burton E. Bowen, of the Seventh Infantry band, has been granted a furlough for four months. John Burgvist, also a member of the band, has been granted three months.

James W. Riley, Troop H, Sixth Cavalry, has been acquitted by the general court-martial and ordered released from confinement.

Railroad Wants Bonus Renewed.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 12.—In the Legislature this afternoon, J. C. Brown, Opposition, moved, and was seconded by Smith, also Opposition, that in future all measures granting aid to private corporations be referred to the electors. A long debate ensued, the motion being defeated on division. In the first of the session, Green of Kaslo, Munro of Chilliwack, and Hawthornthwaite of Nanaimo voted with the Opposition, making the vote 11 to 23. Houson of Nelson was absent.

A big delegation arrived from Vancouver tonight to urge the Government to renew the bonus to the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway from the coast to Kootenay. The Canadian Pacific Railway is seeking a charter for the same line, and wants a bonus. The government has not yet caucused the situation, but from party supporters it is learned the majority favor competition with the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Notes of St. Helens.

ST. HELENS, Or., March 12.—W. L. Clark won his suit in the Circuit Court yesterday to have 80 acres of land which he purchased from A. F. Reed, but which was inadvertently omitted from the deed, declared to be his property. The land was attached by Reed's creditors and purchased by Rev. G. B. Van Waters at Sheriff's sale. Judge McBride held that the error was manifest, and ruled in favor of Clark, who began the action.

The question of building a new Courthouse for Columbia County is being discussed, and will probably receive consideration at the next term of County Court. The citizens of St. Helens have offered to secure any site the court may select. The improvement is much needed. The present quarters of the county officials are too small.

Will Not Heed Notice to Vacate.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 12.—C. F. Miller, a druggist here, who received a notice 30 days since from Mr. and Mrs. M. J. MacMahon, of Portland, to give up possession of their property here, will not vacate. Mr. Miller is one of the parties against whom the trustees of the Tualatin Academy and Pacific University commenced a suit recently, alleging that he was violating the forfeiture liquor clause in the deeds of that institution. Mr. Miller's lease does not expire for some time yet, and he proposes to fight the order to vacate in the courts, if necessary.

Judge for Seattle Bench Show.

SEATTLE, March 12.—James Cole, of Kansas City, has been chosen by the Seattle Kennel Club to judge the dogs at the annual bench show of the club, which will be held in this city April 10 to 13. The club has received a letter from J. A. Graham, managing editor of the St. Louis Republic, recommending Mr. Cole for the position, saying that he is the best judge of all classes in the Central West.

Grain Promises Well.

OREGON CITY, March 12.—Early-sown grain in the Wilsonville section looks remarkably well. Clackamas County farmers anticipate a good crop of cereals this year. Many, however, will engage in dairying, and will pay more attention to diversified farming.

Several hopgrowers in the vicinity of Wilsonville are awaiting returns from last year's crop which they shipped to England on consignment.

Washington Sugar Beet Contracts.

SPOKANE, March 12.—The Washington State Sugar Factory, owner of the beet sugar establishment at Fairfield, Wash., has made contracts for 3000 acres of beets, and expects to contract for 1000 acres to be grown this season. The company contracts to pay $4 per ton for beets showing 12 per cent sugar, and 25 cents for each additional per cent. On the basis of last year, this would aggregate $5 25 per ton.

Governor Geer's Birthday.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—Governor Geer completed his 50th year today, and celebrated the occasion by working hard all day in his office. Few people would take him to be so old, judging by his appearance.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, March 12.—The closing quotations for mining stocks today were:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Amer. Boy	9	10¾	Morn. Glory	7	7¾
Blacktail	8½	9½	Morrison	7	7¾
Butte & Bos.	1¾	1¾	Prin. Maud	1¾	1¾
Crystal	3½	4	Quilp	27½	32
Conjecture	2¾	3½	Ramb. Car	27½	28
Deer Trail	2¾	2¾	Republic		40
Dewey	2¾	2¾	Reservation	2¾	3½
Evening Star		6½	Rose Glant	5¾	3½
Gold Ledge	1¾	2¾	Sullivan	9¾	10¾
I. X. L.	16½	21	Tom Thumb	11¾	12
Iron Mask	30	40	Waterloo	2¾	2¾
L. P. Surp.	7¾	7¾	Hercules	4	6
Miller Creek	1	2¾	Wonderful	2¾	4
Mtn. Lion	19	21			

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12.—Official closing quotations for mining stocks:

Alta	$0 02	Julia	$0 01
Alpha Con	5	Justice	1
Andes	5	Kentuck Con	1
Belcher	11	Mexican	17
Best & Belcher	18	Occidental Con	3
Bullion	1	Ophir	66
Caledonia	70	Overman	12
Challenge Con	16	Potosi	14
Chollar	5	Savage	9
Confidence	70	Seg. Belcher	1
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 60	Sierra Nevada	29
Con. Imperial	1	Silver Hill	42
Crown Point	10	Standard	3 90
Exchequer	1	Union Con	18
Gould & Curry	17	Utah Con	4
Hale & Norcross	14	Yellow Jacket	18

NEW YORK, March 12.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0 23	Little Chief	$0 14
Alice	35	Ontario	8 00
Breece	1 20	Ophir	90
Brunswick Con	23	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tunnel	5	Potosi	10
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 50	Savage	5
Deadwood Terra	50	Sierra Nevada	25
Horn Silver	1 10	Small Hopes	65
Iron Silver	60	Standard	3 85
Leadville Con	5		

BOSTON, March 12.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 13 00	Humboldt	$ 62 50
Bing. M. Co.	21 62	Osceola	80 00
Amal. Copper	100 25	Parrott	32 75
Atlantic	32 00	Quincy	178 00
Boston & Mont.	357 00	Santa Fe Cop.	7 50
Butte & Boston	102 00	Tamarack	335 00
Cal. & Hecla	858 00	Utah Mining	35 00
Centennial	25 00	Winona	6 25
Franklin	22 50	Wolverines	53 00

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth.

Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

At the first intimation of an attack of "grippe" begin at once to regulate the system with Carter's Little Liver Pills. One pill after each meal.

You cannot be too cautious, in this epidemic of "grippe." Keep your system fortified with Carter's Little Liver Pills. One pill after each meal.

It is appalling to read the accounts of the ravages of "grippe." Keep yourself in a condition to resist the disease with Carter's Little Liver Pills.

$300 EXEMPTION STANDS

NEW OREGON ASSESSMENT LAW MAKES NO CHANGE.

Householders Will Be Allowed This Amount on the Value of Their Personal Property.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—It has been stated that the $300 exemption heretofore allowed to householders on the value of their personal property will not be allowed under the new assessment law. This is an error, however. The new law contains a provision that no reduction of assessment shall be allowed on account of indebtedness, but the old law as to the $300 exemption is not affected by this provision. There has not been for many years an allowance for indebtedness, so the law in this respect is not changed.

TAKING UP OF ESTRAYS.

Violators of New Law Will Be Fined $10 to $100.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—Farmers and others, who have been in the habit of impounding their neighbors' stock without carefully observing all the technical provisions of the law relating to estrays, will hereafter do well to inform themselves as to its requirements. The last Legislature provided a punishment for those who do not comply with the law, as follows:

"If any persons shall take up, keep, or use any estray without complying with the provisions of this act, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than $10 nor more than $100, or by imprisonment in the County Jail not more than six months; and such person shall be liable to the owner of such estray so taken up, kept or used, in double the value of such estray."

The act mentioned provides that any householder about whose premises any estray may be in the habit of running at large may take up the animal, and shall immediately post notices in three public places in the county, one of which shall be in the precinct in which the estray was taken up, giving as correct a description as may be of natural and artificial marks, probable size, age, etc.; provided that no estrays shall be taken up in the months of May, June, July, August, September, October and November, except breachy or vicious animals, which may be taken up in any month.

As most farm animals are breachy when they come in contact with the ordinary Oregon fence, this law is for all practical purposes, open all the year round.

The law further provides that if, previous to the expiration of 10 days from taking up, the owner shall prove said estray to be his, he shall be entitled to the animal by paying charges, which shall be $1 for taking up, posting, etc., and a reasonable rate for keeping. If the owner shall further prove that the person so posting an estray knew to whom such estray belonged, and yet did not notify the owner of his intention to post said estray, the person so taking and posting shall not recover for either posting or keeping.

If no one claim the animal within 10 days, the person must make a sworn statement before the nearest Justice, of the taking up, posting, etc., according to law; whereupon the Justice appraises the estray, and notifies the County Clerk concerning the facts. The Justice is entitled to receive a fee of $1 for each appraisal and notification, and 10 cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in such service, but there shall be no charge for appraising more than three animals at the same time and place. The County Clerk must make a record of the estray taken up. If the appraisement exceeds $15 the person must advertise the estray in a newspaper.

If the owner appears and proves property within six months he is entitled to possession of the animal upon paying the charges, otherwise, the person taking up the animal may have the same sold by the Sheriff or Constable, after giving 10 days' notice by posting three notices in public places. From the proceeds of the sale the charges are paid and the remainder deposited in the county treasury. It is also provided that the taker-up of estrays shall forfeit all right to a consideration for his trouble and expense, if he in any way use such estray, or take and keep the same out of the county in which such estray was taken up, more than three days at any one time.

Few farmers who take up estrays, follow the provisions of the law, and thus forfeit their right to compensation. Since the Legislature has made it a misdemeanor to take up an animal without complying with the law, it would appear that the farmer who tries to protect his crops by taking up estrays would better have recourse to some less troublesome method.

TIME FOR CIRCUIT COURT.

Change in the Seventh and Second Judicial Districts.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—In the Seventh Judicial District, composed of Wasco, Gilliam, Crook, Sherman and Wheeler Counties, the terms of the Circuit Court will, under an act passed by the last Legislature, be held hereafter as follows:

In Wasco County, on the second Monday in February, fourth Monday in May and second Monday in November.

In Gilliam County, on the first Monday in April, and the third Monday in September.

In Crook County, on the first Monday in May and the third Monday in October.

In Sherman County, on the third Monday in March, and the first Monday in October.

In Wheeler County, on the third Monday in April and the first Monday in September.

This law takes effect immediately.

The law governing the holding of terms of the Circuit Court in the Second Judicial District was also amended so as to provide for the holding of terms of court as follows:

In Benton County, on the fourth Monday in March, and the fourth Monday in November.

In Coos County, on the fourth Monday in April and second Monday in September.

In Curry County, on the fourth Monday in August.

In Douglas County, on the third Monday in January, third Monday in May and second Monday in October.

In Lane County, on the first Monday in March, the third Monday in June and first Monday in November.

In Lincoln County, on the second Monday in July and second Monday in December.

This act goes into effect after the fourth Monday in June, 1901.

SODAVILLE SPRINGS COMMISSION.

Governor May Name It Any Time—No Scramble for Places.

SALEM, Or., March 12.—Among the Commissioners to be appointed by Governor Geer under the provisions of acts of the last Legislature, are the members of the Board of Trustees, composed of three taxpayers of the state, whose duty it shall be to expend the $1000 appropriated to improve the grounds at Soda Springs. These three trustees must be residents of the state and will serve without compensation, though they may, perhaps, be allowed their necessary traveling expenses. The money appropriated is to be deposited with the Treasurer of Linn County and paid out by him on orders from the trustees.

As the act creating this board carried an emergency clause, it is already in effect, and the Governor may appoint at any time. It is understood that there is as yet no scramble for places on the board.

The Governor will also be expected at almost any time after May 22, to appoint a state bacteriologist, who will serve without pay, and without any other expense to the state than the publication of his reports.

LEE MARX MARRIED.

Portland Business Man Claims a Bride in Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 12. — Lee Marx, of Portland, and Miss Hattie Newman were married at the home of the bride's parents this evening. The ceremony was performed by Judge Prather. The bride wore a gown of white silk, with a waist of duchesse lace. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Miss Mayer, A. Marx and Louie Marx, of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Kahn, of Helena, Mont.

Mr. and Mrs. Marx left soon after they were arried for a visit to Puget Sound, after which they will make their home in Portland, where the groom is a well-known business man.

Still for State Division.

Wallowa News.

The people of Eastern Oregon are in earnest about state division. It is not alone in the matter of appropriations that they demand to be separated from the Western part of the state. There are other things. Eastern Oregon does not care about the amount she receives from the state treasury, but she does care about the amount she pays into it. Demands from the Willamette Valley are constantly on the increase. The end is not yet. It is idle for men to say that it is better to stay as we are. Just as unreasonable as for one to have said that the people here would not have been benefited by the formation of Wallowa County. Yet there were persons in Wallowa County who opposed the separation from Union County. Time, the settler of all such questions, has laid bare the fallacy of their argument. Those opposed to the division say it is being agitated by a class of cheap politicians only. A close scrutiny of the situation will reveal more nearly the exactly opposite condition.

Oregon Notes.

A big sawmill is soon to be established one mile above Carson in the Cornucopia Canyon.

The question of sewers is being considered at Prineville.

M. A. Adams has been appointed Street Commissioner of Huntington.

Lawton is soon to have two saloons and a new hotel, says the Standard.

The schooner Lizzie Prien has loaded lumber at Acme for San Francisco.

H. C. Cramer has been elected School Director at Enterprise, and D. L. Reavis Clerk.

James Hunt has been re-elected School Director at Oakland, and Phil Beckley Clerk.

Last Wednesday a stage about seven miles from Elgin encountered a large chuckhole and was upset, but no damage was done.

The school census of Coquille shows 428 persons of school age in that district. The total population is given as 900, which is 222 more than the Government enumeration.

The Burns city election last week resulted as follows: Mayor, C. E. Kenyon; Treasurer, W. A. Gowan; Recorder, C. S. Biggs; Marshal, John Cardwell; Councilmen, R. A. Miller, W. O. White.

The Union Ice & Coal Company is preparing to put in an artificial ice and cold-storage plant at Baker City. Work on the building will be commenced in a few days. The capacity of the plant will be 18 tons per day.

There are now 20,000 of the British troops in India whose terms of service have expired; some nearly two years. They are demanding their discharge, but the authorities hope to induce them to continue to serve until the close of the South African War by paying them a special bounty.

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