

We received, but too late for any comments thereupon in last week's Democrat, a printed copy of H. B. No. 38, and S. B. No. 43, the former introduced in the House by representative Wright, of Union county, and the latter in the Senate by Mr. Myers, of Clackamas county. From a glance at the provisions of the two bills they seem identical, and are "to provide for the construction of the Portland, Dalles & Salt Lake Railroad," and contemplate a branch road to Walla Walla, W. T., and from, or near, Baker City a branch road by John Day's Valley and through some suitable pass in the Cascade Mountains to intersect the O. & C. R. R. at a point not further North than Salem, in Marion county, nor further South than Harriaburg, in Linn county.

Sec. 3 of this bill (for we speak of the two as one) provides for the completion of the portage links of this road at the Cascades within eight months from the approval of the act; and fifteen months, or seven months thereafter to complete the portage of the Dalles so as to form a connection with river navigation West and East of the Cascades, and to complete the construction of said road from the Columbia river to Baker City, within three years from the approval of the act, including its branch to Walla Walla, and within three years thereafter to complete the Railroad from Portland to the Dalles.

The 4th section of the bill provides, that upon the completion of the portage links of said road at the Cascades and the Dalles, "the cost of transportation on the Columbia river between Portland, Oregon and Walla Walla, W. T., or Lewiston, J. T., shall never exceed fifty per cent. of the rates charged upon said river on the 24 day of September, 1872."

Sec. 1 of this bill provides, that in case of war, invasion, or insurrection, the Railroad and telegraph lines shall be subject to the orders of the Commander-in-Chief of the Military and Naval forces of the State, for the transportation of troops and munitions of war, and the transmission of dispatches over its telegraph lines free of all charges for twenty years, except as provided in sec. 7, which is: that these services "to be performed for the State of Oregon are in liquidation and full satisfaction of all State taxes and assessments hereafter to be made for the period of twenty years upon the Portland, Dalles & Salt Lake Railroad and branches, &c."

The benefits to result to the State of Oregon from the consummation of such an enterprise as that proposed by the P. D. & S. L. R. R. Co. cannot be over estimated. The flow of emigration into the State as soon as a connection is made with the Union and Central Pacific roads will be worth a thousand emigration agencies and associations. The spanning of the Cascades with a Railroad track, will be to Oregon like the discovery and opening up of a new and heretofore unknown source of wealth. We are particularly pleased with the provision made in this bill for a branch road from Baker City, by way of Canyon City and the Ochoco Valley to the Willamette river. The wonderful resources of Eastern Oregon are, and will continue undeveloped until Railroad communication between the two great divisions of the State are consummated; and a slight acquaintance with the topography of the country clearly points out the necessity of the branch road referred to.

The 8th section of this bill affords ample safeguards against extortion, excessive charges or unjust discriminations in the transportation of persons or property over this line of road. This bill ought to pass both branches of the Legislature at an early day.

Entries for the coming State Fair can be made with the Secretary at his office, in Salem, from Monday, Oct. 5th, for three days and from Thursday to Saturday at the Pavilion, on the Fair Grounds. Persons at a distance can make entries by mail, as the Secretary has blank applications, which can be obtained free. All entries close at 5 P. M. on the second day of the Fair, instead of Wednesday, as heretofore.

The principal of the school fund of our State has increased during the two years past, \$24,903.43. There has been distributed among the children of the State, during the same length of time, \$65,787.03 of school fund interest money. This shows a net increase in two years of principal and interest of \$120,679.46. The University fund also shows an increase of \$10,401.13.

H. H. Gale, who has labored on the Coos Bay Record since its inception, departed for San Francisco last week on the steamer Eastport with a view of taking a position upon the staff of the Chronicle. Our Devil thinks some of applying for a position on the N. Y. Herald.

5,000 bushels of wheat were hauled to Dayton one day last week.

IMPERIALISM.

The editor of the Oregonian, in a late number of that paper upon Louisiana affairs, makes this startling declaration which if acquiesced in by the people of the several States would shake the freedom of every State in the Union with the chains of a central despotism. He says—"Armed revolt against authorities recognized by the general government cannot be tolerated, unless it be shown that all peaceable remedies have failed." The point to which we desire to call the attention of the reader in the above quotation is, that the Oregonian editor evidently concedes to the general government, the right to determine which of the two contestants is the legally chosen Governor of a State, that is to say—if the President chooses to recognize any faction who may by fraud successfully usurp governmental functions in any State, armed opposition to such usurpation is not to be tolerated. The Editor's qualification, that "unless it be shown that all peaceable remedies have failed," amounts to nothing. Let us apply it to the Louisiana case. The people of Louisiana did not elect Kellogg Governor, but did elect McEnery. Kellogg does not claim that he was elected Governor, but a bogus returning or canvassing board counted McEnery out and counted Kellogg in; and upon that and other like frauds Kellogg usurped the office of Governor. The Oregonian editor acknowledges these frauds, and that Kellogg is a usurper, and then gravely tells us that the people of Louisiana are without remedy because forsooth the general Government has recognized Kellogg, the acknowledged usurper, as the rightful Governor, and that "armed revolt in his rule cannot be tolerated. The only tribunal to afford a "peaceable remedy" that is acknowledged by the Oregonian as having jurisdiction; that of the general government was appealed to by Kellogg, and too readily was that appeal responded to in Kellogg's favor—here all "peaceable remedies" were at an end. The Oregonian in the same article informs us "that the right of revolution cannot be denied. It is a right above all governments and laws, but it is not a right which can find warrant for its exercise in anything but "despotic oppression against which all peaceable remedies are powerless." Examples of "despotic oppression" were not wanting in Louisiana, and "peaceable remedies" against such were "powerless," and in that exigency the people of Louisiana gave one of the sublimest exemplifications of self-government, when they rose in their might and drove the usurper from his seat—using no more force than was sufficient for the purpose. But Louisiana is not a self-governed State yet. The same frauds that carried Kellogg into the gubernatorial chair in 1872 are to be re-enacted in November next, and the Republican candidates are, by the same machinery to triumph, and the Oregonian will see it, as he has seen the other, and will doubtless have the manhood to acknowledge and condemn it, as he has the other, but to denounce the exercise of federal authority in the affairs of a State and its right to control a State election, would be to denounce the imperialism to which the Republican party is too firmly committed—it will council acquiescence in the fraud.

The Salem Statesman advances the opinion that George Leslie's steam road-wagon is more of a novelty than a success. The only way to ascertain whether it was indeed in motion was to sight some object across the street immediately in front of the vehicle.

The Armstrong-Lamson embroglie in Yamhill county, of which we spoke last week, resulted in fines being imposed on several persons for assault and battery on C. F. Royal, as follows: John Thompson, \$20; Jane Armstrong, \$15; Polly Smith, \$5; Andrew Smith, \$5; and A. J. Miller \$5; Some of the same parties were held to answer before the grand jury for assault with a dangerous weapon.

About 150,000 bushels of wheat have been received at Junction warehouses this season, as follows: Mr. Lemons, 20,000; Salomon, 40,000; Smith, Brassfield & Co., 30,000; Moore & Washburn, 40,000; Bashnell, 15,000. About 30,000 have been shipped below.

HONORABLY EXCULPATED.—A letter from H. V. Dowell to the Sentinel, written at Washington, Sept. 12th, says: H. G. Struve, Secretary of Washington Territory, is still here. The Bulletin of the 31st ult. states a rumor that he has been pardoned by the President. This is untrue. A pardon is always predicated upon guilt. In this case the circumstances of his enlistment and service in the army were such as to induce the President to make an order cancelling the enlistment and ordering the discharge of Mr. Struve, as of the date of his leaving the service on the 18th of May, 1864. The records in the War Department have been so amended that they show he should have been honorably discharged on the 18th of May, 1864. The record of the report of the desertion is then effectually obliterated. This was done on a full investigation of all the facts by the Secretary of War, and Mr. Struve now holds an honorable discharge bearing the signature of that officer.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Salem, October 3. SENATORIAL SKETCHES.—(CONTINUED.) HON. S. D. HALEY, of Linn, is a Virginian by birth and is 69 years old—being the patriarch of the Senate. He is a life-long Democrat and during his long residence in Linn has been honored with various public trusts by the Democracy of that county, all of which he has discharged with fidelity and ability. He brings with him to his Senatorial duties the ripe experience of a long and useful public life, and will not fail to discharge his important trust with that faithfulness and ability which has marked his past official career.

HON. T. P. GOODMAN, of Linn, is 32 years old and was born on the grand prairies of Illinois. He was always a Democrat until the last election, when the fusion party in Linn pressed him into their phalanx, and, because of his strong personal popularity, succeeded in elevating him to his present responsible and honorable position. Conscientious to a high degree, anxious only to do right and eager to learn how to do so, he will make a most excellent legislator.

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HON. BART. CURR, of Grant county, is 60 years old and a native of Kentucky. He was elected on the Independent ticket, though we Linn countians know that "Uncle Bart" has been a Democrat during most of the past years of his life. Having previously represented Linn in the Lower House, his Legislative experience renders him a useful member.

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