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A Few Facts.

As the election approaches it behooves the voters in Linn county as well as voters in every other county in the state to consider the character, ability, honesty of purpose and integrity of those who are now before the people asking the suffrage of the elector to place within the hands of the candidate the law making power of the state. Among the foremost of such men are W R Bilyeu, present candidate for senator from Linn county, and J J Whitney candidate for representative on the democratic ticket.

What the people at the present time most desire, is to elect men who are capable of looking beyond mists that seemingly befog them, men who have been tried and found to be made of the stuff that goes to make a good senator or representative, men whose official record will stand investigation. Now, let us examine, for a short time the acts of some of the men who are before the people of this county for public office. In 1880 Hon W R Bilyeu was a member of the senate of this state, and, inspired by good motives and with an honest intention to do good service for those who had honored him by placing him in that exalted position, and being possessed of a bright intellect which dictated the proper thing to do, he introduced what is known as the "mortgage tax law." Portland was on the alert, and did every thing in their power to defeat this measure introduced by Mr Bilyeu, but Mr Bilyeu, by his persistent efforts glowing with the oratory, (he being styled the "Silver tongued orator" of that session of the legislature) assisted by his sound reason and logic, succeeded in getting the bill to pass the senate, when, without delay it was communicated to the house. This bill was hated by Portland who had the chairman of the committee to which it was referred, and who, without suggesting any objections to the same, reported adversely upon it, and following it into the house they succeeded in putting it to sleep where during that session its slumbers were undisturbed.

And now, please, kind voter to be attentive enough to listen a little while longer and look a little further into this matter if you are anxious to learn the truth and ready to recognize merit in the man who deserves it, and permit us to say that during all this time S A Dawson, now a candidate for State Senator from this county on the Republican ticket, was a representative from this county on that ticket and occupied a seat in the House (when he was not absent) but what are the facts in the cause as to him—what was he doing there to contribute any toward the passage of this important measure?

The House Journal tells how he was conducting himself. The record is against him. From the time this Senate Bill was communicated to the House, Dawson was absent from roll call 13 times as shown by House Journal.

Now let us go a little further and see what followed. In 1882 Mr Bilyeu was again elected senator and again did he introduce the Bill which, by the neglect and indisposition of the House to take hold of the measure failed to become a law. Again did Simon and his following warmly wage war against Mr Bilyeu's Bill, but despite their efforts, Mr Bilyeu again succeeded in passing it in the Senate and again was it communicated to the House; and again was it strenuously fought in that body, but alas; One Dawson was not in the House at that time, he had been succeeded by an honest, straightforward soberminded man, who was ready and willing to legislate, and capable of foreseeing the kind of legislation that would be beneficial to his constituents in the people had seen fit to send Hon J J Whitney to represent them that year, and when Mr Bilyeu's Bill was communicated to the House, Whitney was at his post of duty as the records show and succeeded in securing the passage of the Bill through the House, when it became a law, from which time it remained upon our statutes until the Session of the legislature in 1893, when Portland again took a hand in the matter and repealed the law, and as a consequence the cry goes up all over the land except Portland demanding the reenactment of the mortgage tax law. In May 1882 the Herald made a very malicious attack upon the character of Mr Bilyeu concerning his record with reference to this mortgage tax law, stating that he had betrayed his pledges of the people, neglected the interest of his constituents and forfeited his honor on account of unanswerable arguments of skillful and cunning lobyists etcetera; but the record in the record is the best evidence as to this, let us introduce the record right here. Mr Dawson was a member of the House in 1880 and during that session he introduced one Bill—that was to raise the salary of the county treasurer of Linn county from $900 to $1200 per annum, that Bill the only treasure of his heart passed the second reading and there went to sleep. It is also said that Dawson moved to adjourn at one time during that session.

Mr Bilyeus record. As stated above Bilyeu was a member of Senate in 1880 during which session he introduced and passed the Senate Bill no 12 which fixed the salary of county clerk of Linn county at $1800 per annum and sheriff at $2000. He also introduced and secured the passage of Senate Bill no 35 in relation to chattel mortgage making them more reliable and certain as securities and simplifying the manner of foreclosing them, as well as cutting costs and expense in case of foreclosure. This Bill was neglected in the House and did not come up for final action in that body. Bilyeu introduced, and secured the passage through the Senate, Senate Bill no 53 an act in relation to appeal in the matter of taxing costs by county clerk. The intent of this bill was to simplify the practice and reduce costs in such case. This Bill like many others went to sleep in the House.

These are some of the many measures introduced by Mr Bilyeu, and a comparison of the record will show who neglected the interest of his constituents, who was at his post of duty and who was absent when important measures were up for consideration.

And let us now say that the Herald which made it unwarranted attack upon Mr Bilyeu now favors the reenactment of Mr Bilyeu's mortgage tax law, thus admitting that the measure introduced by Mr Bilyeu and finally passed by the efforts of himself and Judge Whitney was a meritorious one and that admitting the stupidity or unfaithfulness of them who had the opportunity but failed and refused to assist in passing this and other important measures.

This is a time in the history of our country when we feel the necessity of sending men to the legislature, men who are able to and who will do the work demanded by the masses, and as the Oregonian has heretofore, April 19, last, come out boldly and asserted that it is not in favor of the reenactment of the mortgage tax law, and as Portland has renominated Joe Simon for the Senate, we feel sure that if the people of this county want men who can cope with Portland and secure the reenactment of that law allowing deduction of indebtedness, they will stand by Bilyeu and Whitney as they have stood by the people.

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Coxeyism and M'Kinleyism.

The Secretary of the American Protective Tariff League writes to The World protesting against the League's being held responsible in any wise for the Coxeyite "armies." It is probable that we are mistaken in naming the League as the specific source from which the Coxeyites were receiving aid. Nevertheless, a week ago there were unmistakable signs that the protectionists were lending the movement aid and encouragement of a substantial character; just as there are signs now that they dropped it when public attention was called to the earmarks of partisan manipulation.

And in spite of protests and disclaimers nothing is more obvious than that McKinleyism and Coxeyism stand in the relation of cause and effect.

For twenty years the protectionists have taught by speeches in congress and on the stump and through their party press that when anything goes wrong with business, or even with any particular industry, congress should be called upon to set things right. Their doctrine, put forward on all occasions, has been and is that laws make prosperity or bring disaster, and that the remedy for industrial disasters is more laws or changed laws.

In what does this differ from Coxeyism? The Coxeyites are in distress. They claim to be willing to work but unable to obtain work, and to represent millions who are suffering privation by reason of this condition of things. They follow the teachings they have heard for years and turn to Washington for help. They ask congress to pass laws which they claim will bring relief.

Even their plan of presenting "a petition in boots" is borrowed from the McKinleyites. How many times during the last dozen or twenty years have the Capitol and Washington swarmed with people who had gone there to ask congress to pass laws or to levy taxes for their special benefit? How long is it since the protectionist spellbinders and newspapers were shrieking in chorus because the democrats of house and senate refused to give "hearings" to bands of people from all parts of the country who insisted upon telling congress what kind of laws and taxes they wanted for their own benefit? Is it a month since Mrs J Ellen Foster carried a throng of Rhode Island factory girls to Washington and chased senators around the committee rooms with her "petition in boots?"

Does this fact that the McKinleyites had the money (or had it put up for them) to go to Washington in passenger coaches give them any rights not possessed by the Coxeyites, who for lack of money must walk or steal rides on freight trains?

The plain truth is that Coxeyism is simply McKinleyism reduced to an absurdity by being carried to its logical conclusion. And though a burlesque in its present phase it will have one good effect. We shall hear less hereafter of congress and congress made laws as the remedy for industrial troubles and trade depression. We shall see an end made of those "petitions in boots" which the palace car Coxeyites have been thrusting upon congress year in and year out. We shall see the honest American doctrine of self help put in practice more and more.

Blindly and unconsciously, with but a nebulous idea of what he is doing, the grotesque Coxey is a great reformer. His absurd "army" will be turned into a circus side show at 25 cents admission and then melt away into the police stations, almshouses and casual freight trains. But he has taught a lesson that will not be forgotten. He has opened our eyes to the extent to which our social structure has been undermined. He has set men to thinking, and as the first and surest result of that thinking a halt will be called upon that form of State Socialism known as McKinleyism.—New York World.

Rich Men And Coxeyism.

Those are good, strong, brave words that Secretary Herbert has spoken on the subject of Coxeyism, and they are very timely ones.

It is most unfortunate, at this time especially, that the rich men of the country are manifesting an indisposition to bear their fair share of the public burdens.

Now only are they struggling to perpetuate a system of taxation which makes of them a favored class, enriching them at the expense of the people's prosperity, but they are determinedly opposing the imposition of a very small tax upon their superfluous incomes at a time when there are multitudes of taxpayers unable to get any incomes at all.

The rich men of the country are losing a great opportunity and taking a wholly needless risk. They are refusing the chance to disarm the forces of discontent. They are deliberately affronting poverty by objecting to their part of taxes that bear heavily upon the people, though the part they are asked to bear is one so easy that the burden would scarcely be felt at all. They are creating in men's minds a rankling sense of injustice. They are playing into the hands of the vicious theorists who preach Socialism and worse. They are committing a stupendous blunder.

Tansy for Moths.

"There is one sure preventive of moths, it is tansy," says a correspondent. "Sprinkle the leaves freely about your woolens and furs and the moth will never get into them. When I was a child my grandmother used to send me to the tansy patch on the hill with a basket, in which to bring home plenty of tansy leaves. In the garret were five hair covered trunks, studded with brass nails, filled with her best blankets, flannels, sheets, etc. I remember how grandmother took the extra supply out of those trunks in the garret once a year, hung the articles on a clothesline down in the orchard, beat them and put away again to lie amid the tansy leaves until another year. The fourth generation of her posterity are sleeping under the same blankets and coverlets now, which proves the efficacy of that remedy of the olden time."

Senator George F Hoar, who has devoted his life to the support of measures taxing the many for the enrichment of the few, has had a change of heart. Having favored Coxeyite ideas when they were brought to Washington by manufacturers in palace cars he declares himself opposed to Coxeyism it comes on foot in the persons of the poor. A letter from Morrison J Swift, who heads the Bay State branch of the commonweal, awakens him to the fact that the Government has no power to tax one person for the benefit of another. He was willing to give other people's money to those who have, but he has conscientious, even legal scruples against transferring the loot to those who have not. He is a Coxeyite only for the manufactures. If he has truly repented, his repentance is late, but let us trust that it will bring forth works that are meet. We shall see when a vote is taken on the Tariff bill.

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Against Irwin.

The following is a strong document which shows the direction public sentiment is drifting in the matter of the election of a state superintendent of public instruction. The signatures of seventeen prominent school principals of republican proclivities will give it peculiar weight.

The politics of each signer is indicated in each case:

To the voters, school officials, and friends of education in the State of Oregon, gentlemen:

The undersigned desire to submit for your consideration the following propositions:

1. The office of superintendent of public instruction is non-political and ought to be removed as far as possible from the arena of partisan politics. It will make very little difference in the schools of the state whether the person elected to this office believes in high protection, incidental protection, tariff for revenue, or free trade; but it will make a vast deal of difference whether he is familiar with schools and school systems; whether he can command the respect and confidence of school teachers and school officials.

2. Prof D V S Reid, city superintendent of the schools of Eugene, is known to us and to teachers generally to be a proper person for the position. He has been a teacher of the state for nearly twenty years and has been uniformly successful. He was superintendent of Linn county for two terms and gave universal satisfaction. His views on educational subjects, so frequently expressed at institutes throughout the state are known to be of the most progressive order. His election would mean that the improvement made in the schools of the state during the past twelve years is to be maintained and their efficiency advanced still farther.

3. Rev G M Irwin, though he has resided in Oregon about fourteen years, has never, so far as we are aware, been connected with our public school system. We do not know that he has ever participated in any educational gatherings, and his views on educational subjects are therefore unknown. His relations to the Chemawa Indian school were so unfortunate that they leave him with an unenviable record as school manager. We respectfully ask you to consider whether his record shows him to be a suitable man for the position to which he aspires. We, therefore, ask that you use your influence, be it great or small, to bring about the election of Mr Reid.

I W Pratt, city superintendent Portland schools; rep T H Crawford, pdn Park school; rep. F G Young, principal Portland high school; rep. J Burnham, principal Couch school; rep F S Rossiter, principal Failing school; rep. R E Rounds, principal Atkinson school; rep. R F Robinson, principal Central school; rep. D A Grout, principal North Central school; rep. M L Pratt, principal Williams Avenue school; rep. G A Adams, principal Stephens school; dem. W A Wetzell, principal Champion school; rep. C L Hoover, principal South Mt Tabor school; pop. D M Donnough, principal Sellwood school; dem. C J Lockwood, principal Multnomah school; rep. T T Davis, high school; rep. C W Altman, Shattuck school; rep. W B Adams, principal Grants Pass school; rep. H T Narragan, principal Medford school; rep. J M Norton, principal Jacksonville school; rep. T A Hayes, superintendent Ashland schools; rep. Miles Cantrall, principal Ashland school. D W Jarvis, dem, and many others.

The Harrisburg Courier says of the speaking of the state candidates there: Owing to their limited time, Mr Weatherford spoke hurriedly and quite briefly, but he made the only speech of merit that has been made here this year. He defined his views regarding various matters. He favors the improving of our rivers and harbors and the building of the Nicaragua canal by the government. He did not state that a protective tariff was not beneficial to any part of the country, but he argued with considerable force and to the entire satisfaction of at least all democrats present that the tariff was positively injurious to the prosperity of the Pacific coast. Whether or not the principles advocated by Mr Weatherford are correct is not for us to say, but it is a pleasure to state that he can talk for a few moments without abusing his opponents or others who may differ with him.

"Of course Judge Lord, as governor, could be depended upon to veto such measure as the initiative scheme and the mortgage tax himself." Correspondent Oregonian.

Here is the plain issue! The entire machinery of the Republican party will be exercised to prevent the reenactment of the most of the motgage tax law. How can the Republican candidates for the legislature in this county pretend to favor the reenactment of this law and still support a candidate for governor who can be depended upon to veto it. Let the gentle men explain. In the meantime the overtaxed voter should cast his ballot for Galloway for governor and Bilyeu, Myers and the entire Democratic legislature ticket.

The Salem Statesman on Nov. 3, 1890, said:

There should be a change in the management of the Chemawa Indian training school at once. It is understood that the department has recommended the removal of Rev Irwin, the present superintendent, and the appointment of a California man, and that some member of the Oregon Congressional delegation objects to the appointment of any man who is not an Oregonian. Then a competent Oregonian should be decided upon at once and the change made without delay. That school has been mismanaged and in a perennial row and stew long enough. While the present management holds forth there is likely to be no improvement.

This is the man the republicans have put up for state school superintendent.

A vote for Galloway, Bilyeu, Meyers, Philpot, Whitney and Crume is a vote for the reenactment of the mortgage tax law. A vote for the Republican nominees for governor and the legislature is a vote to send men to a caucus presided over by Joe Simon who is being urged for the State Senate by the Oregonian to prevent the reenactment of this law, and finally to prevent the measure if carried to a governor (Lord) who could be depended upon to veto it. Vote, if your eyes should happen to your own interests. Don't trust the Portland ring.

Intelligent people are not going to be misguided by false pretenses. They don't go down. Any one with the sense of even a populist, to use Judge Horn's expression, knows that the present sheriff is not responsible for county warrants being marked "not paid for want of funds". In fact the present sheriff is as good a tax collector as the state of Oregon has ever had. In strong contrast to the capacity of one of his opponents as shown by the collection of last years city taxes.

The way to secure the mortgage tax law is to vote the Democratic ticket.

MISFITS.

The Waterloo correspondent of the Lebanon Express evidently knows a couple of Lebanon men. He says: Somers and Stowe were here as announced last Saturday. The audience was a mixed one and went away in a worse condition. Somers furnished the figures and Stowe the wind. They are able men, but misguided. Attached to the prohi delegation they would be shining lights.

The Man about Town is anti-Coxey, so far as Coxey is concerned. At the same time, one cannot help seeing that this Coxey movement has opened peoples eyes to the fact that the laborer has rights which the government must respect, and not only respect, but legislate in the interest of. This is true though it is possible there is hardly a genuine laborer in the Coxey movement. The government has been working for the Carnegies, now let the common people get a benefit.

Phil Metchan, republican candidate for state treasurer, has $128,000 of state money locked up in the Portland banks, and yet there is a republican paper with so little discernment as to try to make capital against the democrats in Linn county, because the county treasurer had some money in a bank, with several prominent republicans as leading directors, and many of the best patrons republicans, over half of the money having been already paid back. It is well to look around before doing such cheap talk, for it is almost universally back acting.

A curious instance of the value of advertising is reported from New York. There is a physician there who advertises largely, publishing his portrait in the newspapers with the advertisement. A few days ago he received a letter from the west, on the envelop of which there was not a word of address, nothing but the portrait of the man, which had been clipped from a paper and pasted on the envelop. Every clerk and postman who handled the letter knew the face, and it was forwarded without a moment's delay. People read advertisements, evidently and remember what they see there. There is no such road to notoriety as the columns of a newspaper.—New York Tribune.

A FAITHFUL OFFICER.—The following is the unbiased opinion of the Harrisburg Courier, an independent paper: The office of sheriff is certainly the most important in the county. Regarding the populist nominee we know nothing. The other two Jackson and McFeron are good men. Either, we believe would make a faithful officer but every voter in the county knows that Jackson will. We do not support Jackson because we have more faith in Jackson. The worst thing any republican can say of Jackson is that he does not agree with them politically. He has been tried and never been found wanting. His duty has been more severe than that of his predecessor but impartially has it been performed. He has collected several thousand dollars of delinquent taxes and no partiality was shown in the work; he went after the most dangerous of criminals, followed them way into the mountains and brought them back; when prisoners cut iron bars and demolished brick walls to escape, Jackson was at the gap to meet them. He has proven himself to be an honest and capable officer and the Courier has every reason to believe that the people will see to it that he remains in the office, the duties of which he has so faithfully performed.

THE CHANCE OF A LIFE TIME.—The editor of the Newport News gets eloquent a follows: It is expected that the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian church that is to meet in Albany on the 23rd, will visit in a body Newport, the most westerly city in the Union. There are about 300 of these commissioners, and as most of them are from the middle and eastern states, it is not likely they will miss such a good opportunity to see the mighty Pacific, to gather shells from its beautiful beach and to bathe in its placid waters; capture the gamey trout, the kelp or the rock cod, or to behold the sportive movements of the mighty whale, minutely examine the monster of more than 100 feet in length that now lies upon the beach. We understand that a round trip rate of $1.50 from Albany to Newport has been offered, and that our hotels and boarding houses will make a $1.00 per day rate to the commissioners for the time they wish to stay. Our city will delight to honor such distinguished guests.

DIDN'T KNOW WHY.—The Corvallis News says that John Frederick, of Blodgetts is in the city, having come in to procure the necessary papers for the arrest of Wm Keehn on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. From Mr Frederick we learn that his antagonist laid in wait for him in the brush, and when he came along Keehn stepped out, and after a threat, struck him with a double-barreled shotgun, breaking one of the bones between the wrist and elbow of the left arm. Frederick said he did not know the cause of the act.

MINSTRELSY.—Fully as large an audience as the one of the night previous witnessed the second performance of the Georgia Minstrels at the New Memphis Theatre last night. The performers were better up in their parts, and seemed to enter fully into the spirit of the entertainment and anxious to please. The manager of the New Memphis is to be congratulated on having at present the best show so far brought to the city this season.—The Daily Commercial, At the opera house on Thursday, May 24.

World's Columbian Exposition.

Will be of value to the world by illustrating the improvements in the mechanical arts and eminent physicians will tell you that the progress in medicinal agents, has been of equal importance, and as a strengthening laxative that Syrup of Figs is far in advance of all others.

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SEWING MACHINES neatly repaired and warranted by a thoroughly competent workman, at F M French's jewelry store, Albany Oregon.

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When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
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GERMAN LESSONS.—Those wishing to study German should call on Mrs C Cohen at the corner of Third and Calapooia streets Albany. Will teach writing and speaking German. Please call before April 1st. MRS C COHEN.

To retain an abundant head of hair natural color to a good old age, the hygiene of the scalp must be observed. Apply Hall's Hair Renewer.

A Clean Item.

Who does nearly all the washing in Albany? Why, the Albany Steam Laundry. Why, because they do first-class work at low prices.

Who patronizes the Chinamen? Only a very few. Don't mention it.

Have you seen the new wagon. It's modern and holds a stack of clothes. Their big business demands it. Richards & Phillips made it. They know how, as well as how to do superior washing.

The Steam Laundry washes for rich and poor and does good work for all alike. Try it, try it.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Hansen Hanged.

ASTORIA, Or, May 18.—John Hansen, the wife murderer, suffered the death penalty today, and marched to his fate without any visible signs of emotion. He slept well, and arose about 6 this morning, and shortly afterward ate a meal, which consisted of steak, five eggs, coffee and toast, after which he smoked his pipe until the arrival of Rev W S Short, of the Episcopal church, who has called upon the condemned man daily for some time past. Hansen's quite self possession was remarkable, and until the moment when the black cap was pulled over his head, he showed no indication of weakness.

Will Be Sentenced.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Judge Bradley, of the district supreme court, this afternoon refused to grant the writ of certiorari applied for by counsel for Coxey, Browne and Jones, the commonweal army leaders, and thus defeated the hope of the Coxeyites of bringing up for review the proceedings in the police court which ended in their conviction. Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the convicted Coxeyites will be brought up before Judge Miller for sentence, the judge having now received his recommission.

Going Eastward.

WALLACE, Idaho, May 18.—There are now about 75 twealers in town, and others are straggling in from the West. They are on their good behavior. General Jeffries has been lecturing in Gem and Burke today, and harangued here tonight. The men have secured all the old clothes in town, but very little money. At noon about a dozen boarded the Missoula freight as it started out. The train was immediately returned to the yards.

A Big Storm.

CHICAGO, May 18.—The worst storm of the season has raged all day on Lake Michigan, and grave fears are entertained for the safety of such craft as put out from port last night on a smooth sea. The wind is from the north northeast, blowing 52 miles an hour, and extends generally over the entire lake region. Half a dozen schooners and smaller crafts have foundered off this city during the day.

Another Reported Surrender.

NEW YORK, May 18.—The World's San Salvador dispatch says: Over 600 rebels have surrendered to General Joaquin Diaz, ending the revolution in the section of Opanaca. General Antonio Ezeta has received, near Hattengo, the surrender of a body of insurgents.

Brutal Murder.

ABERDARE, Wales, May 18.—During a glove contest here last night, one of the contestants, Rees, was knocked over the ropes and killed. His skull was fractured. All present were arrested.

His Last Night.

ASTORIA, May 17.—John Hansen, the wife murderer, is spending his last night on earth, and bears up with remarkable fortitude, although showing in a marked degree the effects of his incarceration. During the past two months he has fallen away considerably in flesh, and his face is pale and wan. A few days since he began to write a history of his life, but yesterday abandoned the attempt, after coming to the conclusion that his labors could accomplish no beneficial result.

Will Not Run.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—William J Bryan, of the First Nebraska district, has sent a letter to the chairman of his congressional committee, Judge J H Broady, of Lincoln, declining to be a candidate for re-election. His reasons for retiring from congressional life are that he is unwilling to enter a contest, which, to be waged successfully, would confine him to his district during the campaign. The district is republican by 7000, and in the last election Mr Bryan won by the majority of 140.

A Fatal Cyclone.

KUNKLE, O, May 17.—A cyclone passed one-fourth of a mile west of here at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, killing five persons, fatally injuring two others and slightly wounded several more. The killed and injured are:

Dead—Daniel Barrett, Mrs Daniel Barrett, Martha Dasho, Myrta Dasho and George Oxinger.

Injured—Charles Cole, Mrs Charles Cole (fatally), and Jennie Creek.

New O F Officers.

PENDLETON, May 17.—The grand lodge elected officers this evening, as follows: L C Parker, of Dallas, grand master; T J Stites, of Albany, deputy grand master; A G Walling, of Portland, grand warden; Ed E Sharon, of Pendleton, grand secretary; J G Wright, of Salem, grand treasurer; A N Gambell, of Portland, grand representative.

Salem was chosen as the place of meeting of the next grand lodge.

To-Morrow Morning.

SACRAMENTO, May 17.—Secretary Herbert, Miss Herbert, Miss Buell, Mrs Nicou and Lieutenant Reamey arrived this evening from Mare Island and passed two hours visiting points of interest here. They left for the North by way of Portland, and will return East by the Northern Pacific route. All the members of the party were warm in their expressions of admiration for California.

A Big Flood.

ST PAUL, May 16.—Half a million dollars will scarcely cover the damage done by the great storm of yesterday and last night in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin. The downpour of rain was the greatest ever known in this section of the Northwest, and in many places was as destructive as a waterspout. The damage is greater along the St Croix, Eugallee and Chippewa rivers, where the rise in the waters was so rapid that bridges could not resist it, and dozens of them were washed away. In several places also dams were washed out, and the flood did much damage to business property. The death list so far includes five.

Speedy Action Demanded.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Allison presided over a conference of republican senators at the capitol today. About two thirds of the membership were present. It was a continuation of the discussion which occurred at Sherman's Monday night. Dubois announced his intention of publicly declaring in favor of speedy action, and when several senators took issue with him he said his judgment relative to the effect of silver repeal was as good as theirs last fall, and he intended to follow it. The conference broke up without any action being agreed upon, but the senators who believe in early action seemed to be in a large majority.

After Pennoyer.

GRANT'S PASS, Or, May 16.—Hon T T Geer addressed a large audience in the opera house here tonight, on the issues of the day. He dwelt on Pennoyerism in a most logical way, and showed up the errors of the populists' doctrines to perfection. Mr Geer is a very pleasant speaker, a deep reasoner, and keeps his audience in the best of humor.

A Princess' Husband Drowned.

PORT TOWNSEND, May 16.—Edward Hesse, the young bricklayer who eloped from this city last year with Princess Louise, the daughter of the king of Tahiti, and abandoned her in Whatcom, was drowned Monday evening, near Admiralty Point, by the capsizing of a skiff. He is the fifth person drowned in that locality this week.

An Artesian Well.

MEDFORD, Or, May 16.—The city council has let a contract to L P Denny, of Gridley, Cal, to bore a well 500 feet deep for $3000, and $7.50 per foot beyond 500 feet. It is expected that artesian water will be obtained at 508 feet.

The $500 appropriated by the legislature for the improvement of the mineral spring at Sodaville, has been received by the trustees. The work of improvement will soon begin.—Lebanon Advance.