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Let everybody get ready to subscribe towards the building of the State Agricultural building in this county...

In several counties of this state the people of their respective counties are organizing local boards of immigration to look after and to induce immigrants to visit their respective localities...

Secretary Manning has appointed R. Frank Abbott of New Jersey, as chief of division in the office of auditor of the treasury for the post-office department...

The latest way adopted of getting around the civil service reform professions of president Cleveland is by democrats of Oregon who represent to the president that there are seven federal office holders of Portland who control the republican politics of the state...

SADDER, WISER, POORER.

Unhappy Experience of a Very Sanguine Young Man from Texas.

This young man evidently supposed his natural born qualification especially adapted to fill any office within the gift of the people, in fact Corvallis people have experienced sensibly the fact that as soon as Texas people cross Mason and Dixons line they have a very strong and incurable desire for office.

HIS FIRST WEEK IN WASHINGTON. "Just got in from Texas yesterday. You know we gave Cleveland 125,000 plurality in our state, and he's not the man to forget it. I've got as strong endorsements as ever a man brought to Washington from every public man in Texas, and I feel that I'm solid as any man can be for one of the commissionerships. I'll drink nothing but champagne for the next four years, and smoke only imported cigars."

SECOND WEEK. "I can't understand it at all. The last of the commissioners was appointed yesterday, and it wasn't me. I'm afraid I'll have to be satisfied with a Chief Clerkship. They pay about \$2,000. It isn't just what I expected, but it's fair pay. Old brandy and Henry Clay cigars are good enough for any man."

THIRD WEEK. "It beats the very Old Harry how all the Chief Clerkships were snapt up by ravenous sharks, from the North and West. The Texas delegation feel sure, though, that they can get a \$1,600 clerkship for me. That means plain Bourbon whisky and 10 cent cigars. We'll, they say that we are to have a return to Jeffersonian simplicity, so I must put up with it."

FOURTH WEEK. "Saw our Congressman yesterday, and he said their was no earthly show for a \$1,600 place for me. I always knew he was a patty man, without vim enough to make tracks in the snow. He said that the pressure was so great that a \$1,000 place was all that I could expect. I'll settle him when he comes up for nomination. That means that I'll have to put up with beer and 5 cent cigar."

FIFTH WEEK. (and for months afterward.) "For the love of God, Senator, if you'll only get me a place as laborer at \$35 a month I'll make out somehow. I'll smoke a corn-cob pipe and drink nothing but water."—National Tribune.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Preparations had been made for the first general reception at the White House of the present administration, but the announcement that Gen Grant could not live through the night brought preparations to a stand still. When the death of Gen. Grant occurred president Cleveland will issue an order closing the executive departments and directing that they be draped in mourning. It seems to be settled now that Gen. Grant will be buried in the District of Columbia. Various sites have been spoken of for his final resting place. Gen. Sheridan has the matter in charge and he has been consulting prominent army officers. The spot known as the White Lot, which is between the White House and the Washington Monument, has been suggested as an appropriate one. Others favor the Congressional Cemetery, and the crypt of the Capitol, Arlington, or the Soldier's Home, and it is probable one of the commanding elevations in these beautiful grounds will receive the dust of the nation's dead. The month of April is thickly studded with Grant anniversaries, and now his death is likely to add another memorable one to the list. It was on April 1st, that Gen. Grant turned Lee's right at Five Forks; April 2nd he assisted and carried the lines at Petersburg and Richmond; April 6th the battle of Shiloh opened; April 7th he drove the rebels from the field; April 8th he had thrown his cavalry across Lee's line of retreat, and on April the 9th Lee's army surrendered.

Now that most of President Cleveland's diplomatic appointments have been settled, some curious stories come out concerning the ambitions and disappointments of his appointees. Ex-Senator Pendleton who served as the manager for the civil service agitator in the senate, and who fathered their bill, set the example of spurning one of the elementary principles of their creed. He desired the English mission above all others. He got the endorsement of all the democratic senators and applied for the place. When minister Phelps was offered a foreign mission he declined to have anything but England, thus depriving Mr. Pendleton of the object of his ambition; and leaving him to choose between Germany and Russia. Ex-Gov. Jarvis, of North Carolina did not want the Brazilian mission. He said it was the same as banishment. Then suddenly he appeared in Washington and accepted it. Gen. Lawton is trying to go to Russia with his disabilities under the fourteenth amendment, and Andrew Johnson's pardon is in his pocket. The new secretary of state tells him that Andrew Johnson pardoned him for his treason and therefore the fourteenth amendment does not affect him. Mr. Bayard knows that Andrew Johnson pardoned perhaps 20,000 just as he did Gen. Lawton; and yet, unless they got their disabilities removed by congress, the pardon was not legally sufficient to cover the offence. The president was much encouraged by the support the republican senators gave him in making appointments at the extra session. How far this support was based on the belief that his course would strengthen the republican party, and that it was the best way to build it up, is a question about which opinions differ. It is only fair to assume that the republicans will work for their own party, and that they will favor what will tend to divide the democrats. The republicans are watching Mr. Cleveland and the course of his administration with intense interest, and on the whole they are a pretty happy people.

There have been no important appointments made during the week, and no incidents of note have occurred in department matters. The special investigation commission of the treasury is hard at work day and night with its heavy task, the outcome of which is awaited with great interest. It is still engaged with the internal revenue bureau, which opens a particularly broad field for inspection. Secretary Manning has just returned from an investigating tour to the empire state. His ostensible business there was of a strictly private character but his alleged business was to take counsel of the wise men of his party, and manipulate the popular pulse with a view of ascertaining how fast and how far the administration can safely go in the way of making places for democrats who hunger for the flesh pots. President Cleveland's recognition of civil service principles is well nigh intolerable to the Secretary of the treasury.

Prof. Colladon, of Geneva, has ascertained that when lightning strikes a tree it leaves very few marks of its passage on the upper part and middle of the trunk, but as it descends to the neighborhood of the heavier branches it tears open the bark and in many instances shivers the tree. He ascribes this peculiarity to the fact that the upper portions of the tree are more highly charged with sugar—a good electric conductor—than the lower parts. An exception to the rule seems to be found in oaks, which are often seen with tops quite blasted and the passage of the lightning lower down marked by a gash-like furrow.

Dr. Nachtigal has described some curious trees of the region about Lake Chad in Africa. The butte-tree bears a peculiar nut whose oil is much used as a substitute for butter; a leguminous tree—Parkia biglobosa—produces seeds from which a meal is made which is an excellent food; while the wood-tree has a fruit which bursts like the pods of cotton and reveals a soft and lustrous mass of fibers, which may be used for a variety of purposes, such as stuffing cushions and mattresses.

Dr. Koch, who claims to have discovered the germ of cholera during investigations into the epidemic in Egypt, reports that the minute organism resembles that seen in cases of consumption.

According to Commander Gallieni, the total length of the Niger river is over 2,000 miles. The upper part may be navigable for small steamers, the middle course, which flows in numerous channels through a flat country, is the scene of an active river trade in slaves, cattle gold, etc., and is little known; while the lower course has often been ascended a considerable distance by trading vessels.

A party of Russian savants has started from the Baltic on a scientific voyage round the world. Prof. Huxley thinks that three years may be regarded as the adult age of oysters. Their natural term of life is not known, but there are reasons believing that it may extend to twenty years, or even considerably more in some cases. During the solar eclipse of May 6th, Mons. Trouvelot saw near the sun a bright red star which he has since been unable to find during a careful search of the part of the heavens where the sun was situated at the time of the eclipse. This would seem to indicate that the object is a planetary body moving along with the sun, but Mons. Trouvelot declines to give any conclusions at present. Recent investigations by Dr. S. J. Blake fail to confirm the idea that atmospheric electricity is generated by the evaporation of sea water.

President Cleveland by proclamation issued April 17th 1885, declares void the executive order of February 27th 1885, which restored to the public domain the old Winnebago and the Sioux or Crow Creek reservations, and further declares the lands embraced therein are existing Indian reservations, and as such available for Indian purposes only and he warns all persons in occupation of said lands under color of said executive order and all persons intending to enter thereunder, shall neither be permitted to remain nor enter upon said lands, and all persons already there are required to vacate and remove therefrom with their effects within sixty days from date of proclamation.

ADMINISTRATORS SALE OF REAL ESTATE. In the matter of the estate of Geo. P. Wren, deceased. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale, duly made by the county court of the state of Oregon, in the county of Benton, on Saturday April 17th, 1885, at regular trial term of said court, directing and commanding I, F. A. Chenoweth, administrator of said estate, to sell at public auction all the right, title, interest and estate that the said Geo. P. Wren had at the time of his death, in and to the following described lands...

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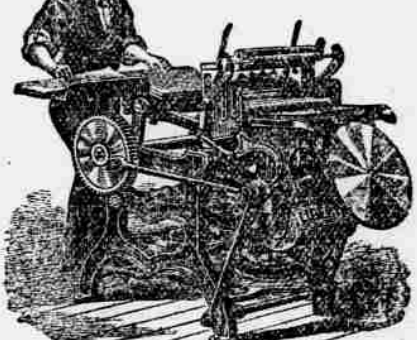
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