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SENATORIAL CANDIDATES.

The republicans in the next legislature will have the responsibility of choosing a United States senator. Senator Dolph is a candidate for re-election.

There are many valid reasons why Mr. Dolph should not be returned. The principal one is that he is opposed by a great number of his own party, and it is more than probable that a man can be selected whose election will be ratified by practically every republican in the state.

Mr. Lord is in close contact with the people, and has their entire confidence. He is a plain, unassuming man, without arrogance or affectation. He is not identified with any republican faction, but stands well with the entire party.

Mr. Lord's ability and honesty have never been questioned. The GAZETTE was the first paper to mention Mr. Lord as a possible candidate, and the only objection that any journal has found with his candidacy is the fact of his election as governor.

Mr. Lord's services as supreme judge have gained for him the respect and confidence of the people of Oregon, without regard to party. He is recognized as an able jurist throughout the land.

On the tariff, financial, and other leading political questions, Mr. Lord's views are sensible and in accord with the ideas of a majority of his party. He is an earnest supporter of the Nicaraguan canal proposition.

Mr. Lord is not an active candidate. He is pressing no claims for the position. He has not even signified his consent to be considered a candidate.

We think we have a pretty fair-sized national debt in this country, but Canada can beat us "hands down." Its debt is \$300,000,000, which is about five times greater per capita of population than the debt of the United States.

A new thing in the way of women's clubs has recently been organized in a Maine town. They call it the Snow Plow club, and its members are to hold teas, socials and fancy fairs during the winter, with the object of raising funds to keep the streets and sidewalks clear of snow.

The Lowell Courier pertly puts it this way: "The Cleveland administration threw away reciprocity, and \$60,000,000 of foreign trade, and took to borrowing money to pay expenses with. Even Cleveland himself can see that it was a bad swap."

During the protective administration of President Harrison the national debt was decreased by \$24,816,590. During 21 months of the free trade administration of President Cleveland the national debt has been increased by \$100,000,000.

The Indians may be dying out, but the Choctaw Nation took a fresh start a few days ago when a squaw presented her husband with a batch of four lusty boys. The group weighed 2 1/2 pounds, and at last accounts were all doing well.

RIVER IMPROVEMENTS.

Through the able efforts of Congressman Hermann an appropriation of \$3,000 was secured last spring to be expended in improvements on the Willamette at this place. Now that the money is at hand, the question of its judicious expenditure confronts us.

This is an actual, pressing and material danger, and not a mere fancied calamity. We have seen \$9,000 wasted in constructing the old reversion. Now there is danger that the \$8,000, which Mr. Hermann worked so hard to secure last spring, will meet with the same fate.

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REPLY TO "TAXPAYER."

"Taxpayer," in the last issue of the Times, takes the GAZETTE to task for its stand on the water bond question. He seems to mistake honest criticism for abuse.

On this water bond question, there is no middle ground. In the words of Cleveland, "We are confronted with a condition; not a theory." The point at issue is not the bonding of the city, nor the purchase of the old water works.

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plant would be sufficient to pay operating expenses and interest on the bonds, besides creating a sinking fund for their redemption. Thus the taxpayers would not be burdened by the council's action, and, therefore, they were not entitled to interfere in the purchase.

The supreme court, in overruling the demurrer interposed in this suit, decided two questions. First.—That, although a sinking fund from water rates was provided to pay the bonds, nevertheless, the bonds were obligations of the city, which, in the event of the failure of the sinking fund, the city would be liable to pay.

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"Taxpayer" certainly has a wrong conception of the word "bulldoze." The GAZETTE is not in the bulldozing business. Neither does it believe in carrying on an "Indian" mode of warfare, by lying in ambush behind a nom de plume, and shooting poisoned arrows into an honest, open foe.

It will be serious news to girls' seminaries that the pickle crop is short all over the world this year. A trade journal announces, with something like dismay, that Europe is buying heavily in this country, which means higher prices soon.

CONGRESSMAN BRVAN, of Nebraska, who was among the awfully left ones, says that henceforth he will bend his energies to journalism. If he does, he will look back on all his past troubles and woes as a beautiful flower garden with pansy edges.

THE New Orleans assembly of the Knights of Labor has resolved that hereafter only the national flag shall be displayed in labor parades in that city. Good enough! No flag in the world means so much to labor as the stars and stripes.

THE New York Press says that Mr. Cleveland has been trying to run the government for a year with a Browline Cabinet.

In select Boston circles the proper pronunciation of the word "pantomime" has settled as "trouseromine."

CALL OUT DISCUSSION.

ED. GAZETTE.—I think you struck the right note in your issue of December 7th, on the road question, and would like to see agitation of the matter until we get better roads. Who can estimate the benefits to this valley were a good stone or other road built on each side the river.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell, and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold the good you can possibly derive from them.

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BLODGETT VALLEY.

Doc Kiger, as chief disputant, took a lay off.

Bab Norton is again able to walk about the house.

Mrs. Mark Stewart is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Miss Alleen Blodgett starts today for Linn county to attend school. Poor Robert.

Mrs. Wiley Norton is at home again after several weeks' sojourn on the Lewisville ranch.

Now that John Henderson has been found their name is legion who say "I told you so."

John Skaggs intimates that there is no big pay in making 62 1/2 cents' worth of rails and appling an ax worth \$2.00.

It would be in order now for the newspapers to dilate on the derelictions of old Mr. Scott while his whereabouts is in doubt.

It must have been sympathy for the sausage meat that caused S. M. Wood's remarkable speech in favor of the affirmative.

It is too bad that the state absolutely furnishes tobacco for the old soldiers at Roseburg. I wonder if Whoit is has recovered from his paroxysm.

"Resolved that country life is preferable to city life," is the bone of contention for next Saturday night. I wish I had the negative—I'd tell them of the diamond our editor has.

Henry Bergin failed to report his time this month to the valiant O. P. Consequently gets nothing till next month. I admire the ingenuity of the "Typo" mixing a casual mention of same last week with our weather reminiscences.

Capital punishment engaged the mammoth minds of our literary orators last Saturday night. The display of oratory was, to say the least, meteoric, and the states now engaged in the horrid practice are requested to "abolish."

Cyrus James is just returning from a visit to Big Elk.

The Norton saw a ghost or a thief by his bedside last week.

Box-car Pedro is fashionable with a few at Blodgett now.

Gene Wood has returned from his visit to Albany. I wonder if he didn't call at Philomath?

Neil Simmons and his wife, a former resident of this valley, are visiting at their Uncle Doc Kiger's.

Since J. Y. Harris, the musical wonder, appeared on the scene and sang The Trudie Bed, B. Troxel knocks under.

Homo wonders why the directors did not put off building the porch till school was out. It must be for the benefit of midnight visitors. One Saturday night the lights were seen burning till two o'clock at our school house. The order of that night is unknown to outsiders.

Mrs. Hansen, who lives on Mary's river near the Nels school house, a few nights ago, in her husband's absence, was alarmed by her dog. On stepping to the door, she saw the form of a man near her duck coop. She at once called to her ten-year-old son to bring the shotgun. When the thief saw that he was discovered, he disappeared, but when the lady went to examine her coop she found four of her pets gone. A few days after this happened, while neighbors Keshn and Sykes were having their examination, the little ducks came waddling home.

ALSEA JOYTINGS.

A very heavy storm of wind, rain and lightning visited Alsea a week ago.

The present stage of water in the river is doing much good by cutting and widening the new channel made last summer.

Twelve new members were initiated in Hop Grange Saturday. We are glad to report the grange improving so fast in membership.

There is a literary and debating society running in the north district. We have gay times debating, and reciting, but the paper is the most interesting feature.

Mrs. Phillips, who is now confined to her bed from cancer on her left breast, is steadily growing weaker. She has had several bleeding spells which have rendered her perfectly helpless.

We learn there will be a public installation of officers in the grange January 9th, and that a programme will be arranged, a sumptuous dinner spread, and everyone invited. Mossback and family will be there.

Wm. and Mrs. Howell are inviting guests to a supper to be given at their residence Friday evening, December 21st. It is given in honor of their son Henry who is attending the O. A. C. and is expected home on that occasion.

Arth Baston met with great success in the vicinity of Monroe last week circulating a subscription paper for provisions for the boys working on the south road. He secured over 700 pounds of flour, about 400 pounds of pork, 100 pounds of beans, etc. As the boys are donating the work this liberal contribution of the Monroe people will be highly appreciated.

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STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association will be held in Portland Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week in conjunction with the annual sessions of the College Association and department of superintendents. Among the local pedagogues who are to assist with the well arranged and instructive program are Professors J. B. Horner, J. M. Bloss, S. I. Pratt, and Superintendent R. F. Holm.

John Boyd Thacher is laconic and decisive in his statements. During the lively campaign just closed in New York, this marked him especially as chairman of the democratic state committee. It was equally true of him as chairman of the executive committee on awards at the world's fair.

Methodist Episcopal church: Corner 2nd and Van Buren streets, Rev. Hiram Gould, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:50 a. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Thursday, prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m.

M. E. Church, South, old college chapel: Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. each Sabbath except the third. Sunday school at 10 a. m., and prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Wednesday evening. The public is invited to attend. P. A. Moss, Pastor.

Christian church: Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Junior Y. P. S. C. E. at 4 p. m., and Senior Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Choir practice Saturday night. Frank Abram Powell, pastor.

Episcopal Church, corner of 7th and Jefferson streets: Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and on Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Lay services every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. All are cordially invited to attend, especially those without other church home.

Baptist church, Jefferson St., between 4th and 5th, Rev. W. H. Doward, pastor. Sabbath services—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Thursday—Song and prayer service at 7:30 p. m. Ladies Aid Society on Friday at 2 p. m. Free seats. A cordial welcome to all.

Presbyterian church, corner 4th and Jefferson streets, Rev. E. J. Thompson, D. D., pastor. Sabbath services: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; public worship, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Junior C. E. at 4 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Thursday: Prayers and prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society, 4th Wednesday of each month at 2 p. m. Ladies' Missionary Society, 2nd Wednesday of each month at 2 p. m. A kind welcome to all.

A DIAGNOSIS.

Nature, with a lavish hand, has endowed the human body with no less than fifteen million of spots to which an ache or pain can be attached. When each one of these spots, both inside and out, is filled with a hard, platinum-tipped pain; when your head aches so that you are conscious of all the ruffles and scallops on your brain just as you see them in the pictures in your physiology; when your heart thumps and your stomach wobbles and you have the feeling that something is wallowing through your inside works; when your sternum feels stove-in and there is an uneasiness under your shoulder blades as though your wings were beginning to sprout; when you are one moment alive to the finger tips with thinking of the things you must get up and do and the next completely exhausted by even the thought of doing them; when your back-bone has the sensation of being twisted by a monkey-wrench; when you are so dizzy that you can't see, and your ears ring and your eyes water and you are nose in in such a state that it is presumption to lay aside your handkerchief for one short minute; when you cough and sneeze and groan in turn—in fine, when you feel like the very deuce—you can set it down that you have the grip.

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