

OREGON'S LAWMAKERS.

The following is a list of the senate officers: C. W. Fulton, of Clatsop, President; O. P. Miller, of Clackamas, clerk; D. W. Coolidge, of Lane, assistant; J. B. Eddy, of Baker, reading clerk; Sevens, calendar clerk; J. M. Stott, sergeant-at-arms; J. H. McCormick, door-keeper; W. H. Mattoon, mail clerk.

The officers of the house are: W. P. Kendy, of Multnomah, speaker; D. C. Sherman, of Marion, chief clerk; W. H. Turner, of Yamhill, assistant; G. O. Holman, of Multnomah, reading clerk; J. E. Blandell, of Douglas, sergeant-at-arms; S. S. Vincent, of Umatilla, door-keeper.

Carl Gray, of Portland, appointed mailing clerk; Clara Burbank, of Portland, and Clara Brook, of Salem, pages; and Chas. Calvert, keeper of gallery.

Pages appointed: Edward Russell, of Portland, and Chas. Hoberg, of Yamhill.

A. C. Jennings, of Irving, was elected temporary chief clerk of the house, but the caucus knocked him out for the permanent plan.

The democrats in the senate voted for Henry Blackman for president and for Chas. Nickel for speaker in the house.

Daily Guard, Jan. 12.

To the state legislature yesterday nearly two hundred bills were introduced upon every conceivable subject, those on roads, assessment and taxation, preponderating. The Lane county members introduced the following bills:

By Baughman—Amending the charter of Cottage Grove.

By Baughman—Creating the county of Mineral.

By Alley—To incorporate the town of Florence.

By Alley—To amend the charter of Springfield.

Alley—To extend the incorporation of the St. Paul & Eastern railroad.

RESOLUTIONS.

Nothing, three joint resolutions proposing to amend the constitution, first, Sec. 21, Art. 1, strike out words "white foreigners, etc." to give legislature power to restrain and regulate immigration; adopted. Second, to repeal Sec. 35, Art. 1, to abolish provision that negroes and mulattoes shall not come into Oregon, or hold property, etc.; adopted. Third, to amend Sec. 2, Art. 2, that males 21 and upwards residing in state six months and males of foreign birth who have taken out their papers three years prior to such election, and has resided in state six months prior to election.

It proposes three changes: Striking out word whites; increasing time of residence of naturalized foreigners from one to three years and giving legislature power to enact a registration law; adopted.

On the part of the senate the following appointments were made to visit the State University: Hon. Henry McGinn, of Multnomah and Hon. W. F. Matlock, of Umatilla.

The State Legislature today noon adjourned until Monday at 1 p. m.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

It was a characteristic message. The governor wants nearly everything abolished. He recommends a jute mill for the penitentiary, and wants the 1-7 mill tax for the state university repealed, also the \$2500 annual appropriation for the state agricultural college. He wants the state normal school at Monmouth to be aided by the state; he urges the construction by congress of a portage road at the dikes of the Columbia, and thinks the canal locks at Oregon City should be purchased. Concerning salmon, he says the grave duty is imposed upon the legislature of abolishing all the monopolistic instrumentalities, sieves, fish wheels, fish traps and fish commissions. He urges that the deduc-

tions for indebtedness clause be abolished, and provisions should be made for collecting all taxes at one time and place. He doesn't think the railroad commission amounts to anything. He says that the state militia costs too much and intimates that it might as well be abolished with the railroad and other commissions. He believes the state should own its own printing office and that all officials should be paid salaries instead of fees. He wants the state auditing board and the appropriations for fairs abolished. The governor recommends a law fixing maximum rates for railroads and telegraph lines, and a change in the road laws so to secure good roads. He wants a law providing for the arrest and punishment of armed men in private employ, and wants homesteads exempt from execution.

Amend the Ballot Law.

Judge R. S. Bean, in talking upon the recent decision on the Australian ballot law, and its application in the Pierce case, says: "The legislature may remove all doubt upon this point by making the language of the act plain and explicit. That is, by stipulating that the provision forbidding a candidate's name to be printed more than once on a ballot shall not apply to presidential election. There are two other defects in this election law which may very properly be pointed out. Section 49 of the act closes with these words: 'The white ballots shall be arranged and printed substantially in the following form.' But there is no form specified. No doubt the original bill contained a sample or pattern ballot, and indeed there is an indication in its manuscript that something had been torn off at this particular place; but the bill as signed by the secretary of state is without it. If this form had been given, there would have been no room for doubt on the part of the clerks for they would have had a plain pattern to guide them. Such seems to have been the design of the framer of the bill, but it has apparently dropped out somewhere, no doubt in a regular way. The other apparent omission in the law is the failure to provide any penalty for the county clerks. We looked the act over carefully, and were unable to find any such provision. The clerk is required to prepare the ballots in a certain way, but there is no punishment prescribed for his neglect or refusal to comply."

Senatorial Fights.

New York, Jan. 11.—Caucus nominations:

Connecticut—Senator Hawley, republican, renominated.

Maine—Arthur Sewall, of Bath, democrat.

New York—Senator Hiscock, republican, renominated.

Indiana—Charles W. Fairbanks, republican. The democrats will renominate Senator Turpie.

Sunday Welcome: The light-hearted ex-editor Johnson, of Corvallis, has reformed since he left off newspaper work. He now abhors tobacco, wouldn't take a "nip" for a thousand dollars and doesn't care very much for the society of even "the fairest of the fair." He rode down hill on a bobbed Christmas day, and when his wounds heal over and the curve in his left shin bone straightens out he will take to the pulpit. Bob is all right.

Miss Lucina Holt has resigned her position in the Sodaville seminary and returned to Eugene.

A recently deceased St. Louisan takes the palm, so to speak, in confidence operation. He made a will leaving a small fortune to an order of charitable sisters and was tenderly cared for by the latter until he died, when it was discovered that his supposed fortune was a myth.

Will Get There.

Corvallis Gazette: Away back in 1874, when Professor B. J. Hawthorne was a member of the college faculty at Corvallis, as botanist, one day while walking upon the street he met a man who had a small shrub in his hands, at the roots of which he was chewing. This procedure naturally attracted the professor's attention, and he asked the man why he gnawed at the slips that way. "Because," was the reply, "it is good for the blood; it will cure my malaria." Prof. Hawthorne was then a newcomer and unacquainted with the particular species, but he recognized it by the family to which the shrub belonged and begged the man to give it to him and the request was complied with. Professor Hawthorne took the little scrubby-looking plant and set it out in the garden that was then his. He watched and attended and nurtured it and it thrived; he trained and pruned and cultivated it and it "flourished like a green bay," growing taller and more thrifty, with its rich magnolian foliage heightened into greater beauty and bearing burdens of fruit that was far superior to that grown by the shrub in its native state. Today it stands in the garden of Dr. Farra, a giant shrub 12 feet in height—a veritable tree with a number of lateral stems full of fruit and the handsomest specimen of the Oregon grape (*berberis aquifolia*) ever seen by the botanists who are acquainted with the species.

The upshot of the business is that the plant is going to the world's fair. A. J. Johnson, the enthusiastic botanist of Astoria, who has secured every peak and mountain range from Shasta to the Olympics, while returning home from a trip to Mary's Peak the other day had to stop over night in Corvallis. In his wanderings his eye fell upon the Oregon grape plant. He gave himself no rest until he had obtained the promise of it for the purpose named. Of which he had nothing to fear in the light of Farra's public spirit and liberality. So the typical Oregon plant goes back to the world's Columbian exposition. Attached to it will be a placard, bearing in bold letters the name of the donor, the town and state from which it hails and the name and characteristics of the shrub.

PERPETUAL.

Daily Guard, Jan. 12.

E. M. Corbas was at Harrisburg today.

A. C. Woodcock returned to Salem today.

H. C. Humphrey has returned from the McKenzie.

Senator Veatch came up from Salem this afternoon.

A. M. Osburn returned home from Salem last night.

Frank Skipworth, of Lebanon, is in Eugene visiting relatives.

Attorneys Bilyeu and Geo. A. Derris have returned from Salem.

J. B. Rhinehart was at Junction today on a short business trip.

W. L. Houston, of Junction, visited Eugene yesterday afternoon.

Hon. L. B. Rinehart, of Union county, is in town visiting relatives.

M. Svarverud returned this afternoon from a trip to Harrisburg.

Prosecuting Attorney S. W. Condon went to Portland on the local this morning.

Chas. McDaniel arrived from his home in Eastern Oregon this afternoon to visit friends here.

Mrs. L. M. McMurtry, who has been seriously ill for the past ten days with hemorrhage of the lungs is reported steadily declining and at times her life is despaired of.

Pleasant Hill Items.

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Halsey Callison is still sick with the mumps.

Miss Stella Richardson has sufficiently recovered from a long sick spell which preceded the mumps to go out riding again.

Mr. A. L. Hendricks reports one of his horses sick, and has the symptoms of the same disease as those of Walker Young's.

The young people are preparing for a party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin's, soon.

The DAILY GUARD of last Monday contained an item of the death of Mr. Jas. Mitchell, who died at this place last Sunday morning, of which it stated that he left a wife and three children. For the benefit of his many friends and acquaintances, allow us to correct, by saying his wife preceded him about twenty years ago. Mrs. George Crabtree, of Walla Walla, Jane and Henry Mitchell, of this place survive him to mourn his loss.

The store of S. Hansaker & Sons was sold the first of January to W. L. Brissett, who will continue the business at the old stand the same as before.

A Remonstrance.

Florence West: A remonstrance petition, which will be found on our local page, has been circulated throughout the county this week and generally signed, asking the legislature to discontinue the efforts of a number of townsie boomers to have two new counties created from parts of Lane and the adjoining counties of Linn, Benton and Douglas. Should these people succeed in their efforts, old Lane would be a narrow strip of territory 140 miles long by about 25 or 30 miles in width. The already overburdened taxpayers, of course, would bear the expenses, for every property owner in the county would have his taxes increased heavily in order to support the extra expense which would be thrown upon them by the withdrawing of such portions of the heavy taxpaying districts from Lane county. Let every one who has the best interests of the county and themselves at heart sign the petition at once. It can be found at the store of Meyer & Kyle, Florence. If there is to be a petition being circulated in your locality, copy the one found on our local page, have every one interested to sign it, and forward as soon as possible to the legislature, in care of some one interested in defeating this flagrant townsie booming scheme, or to the postoffice at Florence, Oregon.

Reading Room Entertainment.

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Mrs. Louise Humphrey-Smith gave one of her interesting reading entertainments at Rhinehart's opera house last night under the auspices of the board of lady managers of the Free reading room of this city.

The selections given by the lady were among the humorous, pathetic and dramatic productions of such authors as Whittier, Holmes, Browning, Arnold and Shakespeare with one, and perhaps the best received piece of the evening, from Kate Douglas Wiggin entitled "The Ruggleses Christmas Dinner Party." Mrs. Smith is a touching reader and held her audience with good effect. The pieces selected were such as would be both suggestive and instructive and at the same time were interesting and amusing, her hearers seemingly enjoying the programme throughout.

The Electors Vote.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The presidential electors chosen at the November elections met yesterday at the various state capitols and cast their votes. The result, as shown by the appended table, is:

Cleveland	27
Harrison	14
Weaver	2