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U. S. SENATORS will be elected in several States this month and the situation is generally interesting.

More trouble is threatened in the Hocking valley, and Gov. Bowley of Ohio is about ordering the militia to that section.

The Oregon legislature is in session, having convened last Monday. It will not commence work in earnest until after the election of a U. S. Senator to succeed Mr. Slater.

The employees at work in the Oliver chilled-powder works at South Bend, Ind., struck the 12th, and the situation has been so critical as to require the presence of the military.

According to the *Plaindealer*, Rosburg is improving steadily and even rapidly. Forty new buildings were erected during the year and many improvements and additions made to others, the whole aggregating nearly \$50,000. This is a good showing.

In the grand hotel of United Workers at Pittsburg on the 13th inst., the grand secretary presented his report, which showed the order to be in good financial condition. During the year \$21,888 were collected for benefits and \$26,055 expended.

U. S. motion of Senator Weatherford of Linn, our U. S. Senators were instructed, by unanimous vote, to urge the passage of the Oregon inter-state commerce bill, now pending in the Senate. This reflects the sentiments of the people of Oregon and elsewhere.

The Democrats in the legislature promise to be more than an inactive minority. In the House, W. P. Keady of Benton county, a Republican "kicker," was elected speaker by Democratic votes. They propose to show their hand in other ways before the end of the session.

A BILL is before congress for the retirement of Gen. Grant; but it is not likely to succeed this session. We doubt whether the American public ever did more for any man than it has done for Gen. Grant. He has proved himself a decided failure in everything but a military officer.

THOMAS GUINNAR, the prominent popular leader of the St. Louis school at Portland, has been removed to take charge of the new Esmond hotel. This building will, when completed, be the finest hotel north of San Francisco, with entirely new and first-class fittings and furnishings throughout.

POSTMASTER CHAOS of Salem has been removed, and Geo. W. H. Odell, a sensible political paper, now holds the office. Croasman proved an unpopular and conceited official; but we think his successor will not be much of an improvement. His career promises to be quite abbreviated.

SCHUTLER COLE of Indiana, for many years speaker of the House of Representatives and once vice-president of the United States, died suddenly at Mankato, Minn., on the 13th inst. He was 62 years of age, and for many years a prominent Republican politician. It is presumed he died of heart disease.

The election of U. S. Senator in this State is absorbing considerable attention. Who the lucky man will be no body can tell as yet, though many of the opinion that it will not be a Democrat man this time. The Republicans seem to show a certain vacillation, fearing from their experience that it is not altogether safe. It will be ten days until a ballot is taken for Senator.

If the Democratic members of the legislature do not assist in electing a U. S. Senator, we will always think they missed their golden opportunity. Although their opponents outnumber them considerably, they ought to be able to at least elect a conservative Republican, one who can be relied on to support President Cleveland and his cabinet in all righteous measures they may propose.

The meeting of the legislature has demonstrated that a very bitter feeling against Portland exists throughout Oregon, and it may have much influence on future legislation. No wonder Portland has long ago arrogated to itself the dictation of the entire State, and its capitalists have deliberately set at naught every law which they have not fancied, no matter how beneficial they may have been to the interior. The people have become tired of this and are at last showing their resentment.

Born houses of the legislature were organized on the first day, with the following officers: Senator—President, Waldo of Salem; chief clerk, J. W. Stone; assistant clerk, F. A. Cook; sergeant-at-arms, Jas. S. Purdon; doorkeeper, Allie Brown; House-Speaker, Keay of Portland; chief clerk, Col. Howlett of Portland; assistant clerk, J. T. Green of Salem; sergeant-at-arms, J. C. Booth of Salem; doorkeeper, Jas. V. Smith of Portland. No legislative importance had been manifested at last session.

Tax independent Republican national committee was in session at New York on the 13th. The treasurer reported that the receipts were \$23,836. Of this amount \$11,000 was expended for campaign documents, of which \$2,125,000 had been circulated. It was resolved "That the national committee of independent Republicans continue in existence, and that State organizations be instructed to preserve the rolls containing the names of independent voters." At a dinner which followed the meeting speeches were made by Carl Schurz and others who dwelt in enlarged terms on the progress of the party, and predicted a new and clearer era in national politics.

TOMO, the stage robber arrested by Sheriff Hogan of Douglas county sometime ago, and who was now confined in the Oregon penitentiary under a life sentence, made a brutal and almost fatal attack on that gentleman last Sunday. Mr. Hogan, in company with other friends, was visiting the prison, and Tomo, being around upon Ross Todd's cell, who was aware of Mr. Hogan's visit, had prepared for him. As the party was passing his cell Todd thrust a large bottle through his window and hitting it at Mr. Hogan, it struck him on the side of the head and prostrated him. Had it not been for the efforts of his friends he would have fallen to the floor below. The party emerged, however, and is able to be about, and Tomo will undoubtedly receive punishment.

words of encouragement to the weak.

Labor—progress—the prayer of all creation. The sun rises and sets, and the stars come and go. They never come but what they disappear; but in the wailing spring of existence individuality is lost, and man is born. Every hour that passes by and every morning and every evening sinks with new thoughts and new signs upon the world. New light and new sounds strike the stars. As the dew-drops from the clouds strengthen the earth as the night, the nature, as the day, the mind, the soul, the heart, all creation has been bright and wondrous, and the great achievements in every field of thought have been accomplished by men and women equally fitted to labor much and to suffer long. Even since the first decisive battle in the history of the world, when a mere handful of Greeks defeated a host of Persians, down to the last decisive battle fought on the plains of Marathon, the world has been a field of conflict, and the world has been won by the efforts of the Greeks and the Persians.

Thus said Mr. James Palmer, the Rochester fireworks maker, to our inquiry.

"The average spent in off years for fireworks is over one million dollars."

"Do import the bulk of our fireworks?"

"No sir, we import nothing but fire-crackers. We make the rest in this country. There are only ten fire-cracker factories in America."

An invitation of Superintendent Frederick Fitch Fisher, the reporter inspected the Palmer establishment without any trouble, and found it a great place for a great people and creating it a new nation.

Times will bring them success. Against hasty England we march such men as Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Jay, Henry, Onis, Jones, Hancock, Putnam, Lee, Stark, Burr, Hamilton and others equally as great. Against slaves and abolitionists we arrayed Lincoln, McDowell, our Douglass, our Garrison, Sewall, Greeley, and other statesmen.

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