

THE INVESTIGATION.

A voluminous report of the findings of the Investigating Committee appointed by the late Legislature has just been published showing speculations to have been committed by the different members of our late State Administration, among which we find the names of several of our late State Administration. From the report of the committee it appears that more than \$96,000 has been unlawfully taken from the public treasury by the late Grover-Chadwick administration. During the Motoc war we find that Col. J. N. T. Miller, Commissary General, drew a salary of \$291.67 per month for ten months, and Robt. A. Miller was paid for services as clerk to the commissary general from the 24th of April, 1878 to the 12th day of October of the same year, for which he was paid the sum of \$1,119. Major Quincy A. Brooks, A. Q. M., appears to have had an eye to business from the commencement of hostilities in December, 1872 up to February, 1874.

The committee would recommend to your excellency that immediate steps be taken to bring all parties to an accountability for public property unaccounted for by the quartermaster's department in this war, as it is the opinion of the committee that more than \$40,000 was plundered from the state by these officers who had charge of the quartermaster and commissary departments, and this conclusion is arrived at after a careful examination of all the vouchers passed upon by the auditing board.

In the statement of supplies bought for the state we find charged 34 horses, 76 saddles, 493 pairs of blankets, 82 overcoats, 456 shirts, 253 pairs of boots and 7 tents. Of these there are accounted for, 2 horses, 13 saddles, 212 blankets, 82 overcoats, 451 shirts, 169 pairs boots, and 1 tent, leaving unaccounted for 32 horses, 63 saddles, 281 blankets, 144 pairs boots and 6 tents, costing the state \$43,186.

Be it remembered that this is the report of a committee, appointed by a Democratic Legislature to investigate the conduct of a Democratic State Administration. There is no Republican misrepresentation in this matter. A majority of the committee were Democrats and they declare emphatically that they are not.

IMPORTANT LAND DECISION.—December 24, in the case of T. H. Gates, vs. The California and Oregon Railroad Company, an appeal before the Secretary of the Interior, a decision was rendered reversing the former rule of the Department which excluded from the operation of land grants to railroad companies all lands occupied by settlers at the time the grant went into effect which occupation might be perfected by the settler by further proceedings in obtaining a United States patent. The present rule, as established by this decision, is that when such occupation was subsequently abandoned by the settler, the land is not to be considered as reserved from the operation of the grant, the principles in the cases of Sherman vs. Buick (3 Otto, 209) and Water and Mining Company vs. Bugey (6 Otto, 165) being considered by the Secretary as applicable to railroad grants as well as to grants to States for school or other purposes.

The Secretary concludes with the customary notice that cases heretofore decided according to the old rule will not be responded, being considered "res adjudicata."

INSTALLATION.—The following officers for Jacksonville Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F. were installed by Jno. A. Boyer, D. D. G. M., on last Saturday evening: S. J. Day, N. G.; W. J. Plymale, V. G.; Jos. H. Hyzer, Rec. Secy.; Ed Smith, S.; Fred Luy, Treasurer; C. Ulrich, R. S. N. G.; J. W. Robinson, L. S. N. G.; Jno. Hockeney, W.; Eiler Band, Cond.; N. Ficke, R. S. V. G.; Wm. Bybee, L. S. V. G.; Jos. Wetterer, R. S. S.; Wm. M. Turner, L. S. S.; Peter Boschey, L. G.; T. M. McKenzie, O. G.; T. B. Kent, C.

NOT RECEIVABLE.—In the case of H. C. Owen vs. The Board of Commissioners for the sale of school and university lands, defendants was decided by Judge Boise in favor of the defendants. This is a case in which H. C. Owen tendered swamp land warrants in payment of the twenty per centum on swamp lands claimed by him. The court held that the law authorizing the issuance of the warrants is unconstitutional, hence the warrants are not so receivable.

The principal office of the "Wilamette Farmer" has been moved to Portland.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY AND COAST NARROW GAUGE R. R.

The recently awakened interest in the project for a narrow gauge railroad from Rogue River Valley to tide-water at or near Ellensburg, Curry county, Oregon, drew to Jacksonville, on Saturday, Jan. 4th, a large number of prominent and influential property holders to confer as to the feasibility of the scheme and the best methods for its accomplishment. Many of our most substantial merchants and farmers, representing nearly every precinct, were present, and all of them had something to say in furtherance of the enterprise.

At 2 o'clock P. M. the meeting organized by the election of E. K. Anderson, Chairman, and Geo. E. Strong Secretary.

Mr. E. D. Foudray having been called upon explained the purpose of the call. He gave an interesting summary of his observations on the construction and operations of the Dayton and Sheridan narrow gauge road in Yamhill county, acquired by personal inspection and interviews with Jos. Gaston, the first energetic worker in that enterprise, and its present President. Mr. Foudray gave details as to the cost of building the D. & S. N. G. R. R., besides a mass of other interesting and valuable statistics bearing on the construction and workings of narrow gauge roads and their relative merits as compared with the broad gauge system, all of which will be shortly presented to the communities interested in cheap and speedy communication with San Francisco.

Brief addresses were made by Messrs. John E. Ross, Kahler, Beckman, Hopwood, McCall and Kent, after which Col. Ross moved the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved—That a committee of five be appointed to prepare a subscription paper to be presented to the citizens of Jackson County for contributions towards defraying the expense of a preliminary survey of the proposed road.

Debate followed thereupon. Mr. J. S. Howard civil engineer, estimated the probable cost of such survey at about \$3,000.

Mr. C. C. Beckman suggested that the subscriptions of those now present who might feel disposed to contribute, be taken, whereupon the following subscriptions were announced within five minutes:

Table with names and amounts: J. S. Howard \$100, Wm. Bybee \$25, E. D. Foudray \$25, Wm. Justus \$25, J. S. Howard \$20, Wm. Kahler \$20, A. C. Jones \$15, Chas. Nickell \$15, Geo. E. Strong \$10, Jos. Rapp \$10, E. H. Autenrieth \$10, Jesse Wilson \$10, W. B. Kincaid \$10, J. T. Roloson \$5, T. B. Kent \$5, Silas Hawk \$5, J. W. Hamerick \$24.

Total cash subscription. \$552 50
J. H. Hyzer 5 days labor 5
D. W. Crosby 5

The Secretary prepared the following resolutions, on the reading of which Col. Ross withdrew his motion: Resolved—That a Committee to be composed of one from each precinct in this County be appointed by the chair to canvass the county, each in his respective precinct, with power to appoint a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall enter into correspondence with citizens of Douglas, Josephine, Lake, Siskiyou and Curry counties; that when this meeting adjourns it shall adjourn to meet at the call of the chairman of such committee, at which future meeting reports from the various precincts shall be received.

Resolved—That said Committee be instructed to make inquiries and gather information touching the probable cost of a preliminary survey of the projected narrow gauge railroad from Jackson county to the sea coast at or near Ellensburg.

Resolved—That said Committee be requested to take immediate steps looking to mass meetings in the different precincts of the various counties named, in order that the people therein may be fully advised of the feasibility of the proposed road and its importance to every interest of Southern Oregon and Northern California. The resolutions were unanimously adopted, and the Chairman announced that at an early day during the coming week he would make public the names of the members of the committee above provided for. The Secretary was requested to procure the publication of these minutes in the newspapers printed in the counties above named. Thereupon the meeting adjourned to reassemble at the call of the committee.

SEXTON'S REPORT.

The following is the Sexton's report of interments in the Jacksonville cemeteries for the year 1878:

January 1st—George Anderson; aged 25 years. Suicide. Buried in town cemetery.

January 9th—Cynthia A. Ruten; 22 years, 7 months and 5 days. Congestion of the lungs. Town cemetery.

February 25th—Rebecca Wilson; 82 years, 2 months and 3 days. Kidney disease. Masonic cemetery.

March 3d—Elvira M. Martin; aged 39 years. Puerperal congestive chill. Masonic cemetery.

March 21st—Charles Brunet; aged 58 years. Dropsy. Catholic cemetery.

April 5th—M. R. Fletcher; aged 51 years and 11 months. Consumption. Town cemetery.

May 2d—Sarah Manning; aged 32 years and 24 days. Peritonitis. Masonic cemetery.

June 9th—Joseph Roth; aged 70 years. Accidentally killed. Town cemetery.

June 13th—David Crocker; aged 51 years. Consumption. Town cemetery.

July 10th—G. W. Bressler; aged 53 years. Bilious colic. Masonic cemetery.

August 2d—A. M. Asbury; aged 63 years, 6 months and 19 days. Inflammation of the lungs. Catholic cemetery.

August 5th—Viola C. Hockersmith; 20 years, 5 months and 21 days. Puerperal convulsions. Town cemetery.

August 18th—Lena Hockersmith; aged 17 days. Inflammation of brain. Town cemetery.

August 27th—Mrs. Elizabeth Murray; aged 41 years, 3 months and 15 days. Consumption. Town cemetery.

September 13th—Mrs. Jane Fiddler; aged 71 years, 9 months and 1 day. Bilious fever. I. O. of F. cemetery.

September 23d—Lloyd B. Goddard; aged 1 year, 10 months and 20 days. Inflammation of bowels. Masonic cemetery.

October 9th—Jasper Beall; aged 12 years, 7 months and 16 days. Typhoid fever. Masonic cemetery.

October 24th—David W. Hueston; aged 47 years, 9 months and 14 days. Bilious fever. Town cemetery.

October 29th—Owen Coyle; aged 68 years. Hemorrhage of kidneys. Catholic cemetery.

October 31st—Thomas A. Gregory; aged 63 years and 6 months. Pneumonia. Masonic cemetery.

November 4th—L. C. Emerson; 4 years and 4 months. Diphtheria. Town cemetery.

November 21st—Joseph Esteman; 51 years. Consumption. Town cemetery.

December 4th—Susan Johnson; aged 58 years, 9 months and 10 days. Dropsy. Town cemetery.

December 7th—W. H. McDaniel; aged 57 years, 11 months and 19 days. Consumption. Imp. O. R. M. cemetery.

December 16th—John L. Badger; aged 68 years. Pneumonia. Town cemetery.

The most prominent feature of this year's report is the largest percentage of aged persons as compared with other years. Out of twenty-six white persons interred, thirteen, or just half, were over fifty years of age, and eight between twenty and fifty, leaving only five children, and not one of them (the children) from town; the nearest one, Mr. Thomas Beall's little boy, being five miles distant. In looking over my lists of former years, I find that the last child of school age (that is between four and twenty) that died in this district was Emily T. Jones, on March 23d, 1875, three years, and nine months ago, and the school clerk's report last Spring shows four hundred and thirteen children of school age in the district and a little more than that in the two previous years. Therefore, I hardly think there is a town in the State, or perhaps in the United States, that can show a better health record for children than Jacksonville Oregon.

R. S. DUNLAP, Sexton Jacksonville Cemetery.

COMMISSIONERS.—Governor Thayer has just issued the following commissions: O. P. Mason, notary public, Portland, Multnomah county, Oregon; G. W. Yocum, notary public, Portland, Multnomah county, Oregon; W. W. Knott, notary public, East Portland, Multnomah county, Oregon; Geo. A. Brodie, notary public, Roseburg, Douglas county, Oregon; Wm. J. Lyon, commissioner of deeds, Jersey City, New Jersey; J. M. Noeler, commissioner of deeds, Spokane Falls, Washington Territory; M. Flick, Captain Company A, 3d Regiment, 3d Brigade, Oregon State Militia; E. B. Morelock, First Lieutenant, Company A, 3d Regiment, 3d Brigade, Oregon State Militia; Ed. Imbler, Second Lieutenant, Company A, 3d Regiment, 3d Brigade, Oregon State Militia.

THE UNDERIGNED HERBERT DESIRES to announce to the public that they are now prepared to fill all orders for cakes of every description, such as wedding cakes, cakes for parties, wine cakes; also brown and rye bread, ginger snaps and crackers. A lunch house will also be kept at this place, where oysters in all styles, Limburger and Schweitzer cheese, can be had at all hours of the day or night. Fresh bread every day. Prices reasonable and satisfaction guaranteed. GRUBE & ULRICH.

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I have secured the services of a first class Mechanic, and am prepared to do all repairing promptly and in superior style.

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