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THE SUPERINTENDENCY.

The Review, speaking for ex County Superintendent Waite, copied in last Thursday's paper, a part of our article in regard to the superintendency and says: 'What a falsehood! Mr. Hamlin has not been here since he was at Honolulu and that was two days before the election occurred. He has had no opportunity to appoint any one his deputy, and besides could not hold two offices at once, the law requiring him to resign his commission in the army before qualifying for any civil office. This fact was fully established in the case of Col. Summers, of the Oregon regiment, who was forced to resign the position of appraiser of the port of Portland, and whose successor has already been appointed. The voters who cast their ballots for Mr. Hamlin certainly knew that he could not fill the office if elected, and undoubtedly were satisfied in the assurance that Mr. Waite would hold over under the plain provision of the law. There is no vacancy in the office and will be none so long as the present incumbent chooses to discharge his official duties. As to treating Mrs. Hamlin's demand with contempt, the assertion is false, because that lady has not even suggested the matter of taking the office to Mr. Waite.'

As Mr. Waite absolutely refuses to give up the office, to which the voters of the county elected another man, it will do no further good to discuss the question as to whether or not Mrs. Hamlin demanded the office. We will say, however, that we have in our possession, the written request of Superintendent Hamlin, that his wife be allowed to act as his deputy and perform the duties of office, and that we will produce the same whenever Mr. Waite concludes that he is ready to comply with the wishes of the voters of the county and of the man whom the people elected to succeed him.

The Review, speaking, we suppose, for Mr. Waite, gives two reasons why he refuses to surrender the office. Let us examine them. The first reason given is the alleged fact that because he, Prof. Hamlin, holds a commission as a lieutenant in the volunteer service of the United States, he can not at the same time hold an office under the state government. In proof of the correctness of this assertion, we are referred to the fact that Col. Summers, of the Oregon regiment, resigned as appraiser of customs, in order to accept his position as colonel in the army. But both of these offices were under the national government and have nothing to do with the right of a person holding a commission in the army, to hold a state office at the same time. It is well known that the United States authorities have held that a man who holds a state office need not resign in order to accept a commission in the army. But a case more directly in point is that of the county superintendent elected in Marion county at the last election, who having appointed his wife as his deputy enlisted under the last call and left for Manila. No one has thought of questioning his right to hold the office, or his wife to act as his deputy. Perhaps they have no one so little and mean in Marion county, either republican, democrat or populist, as to try to cheat an Oregon soldier boy, who is absent in the service of his country, out of an office to which he had been elected by the people, or his wife and children out of the salary which they need for their support during the absence of the husband and father. The second reason given by the Review for Mr. Waite's refusal to surrender the office, is that the people when they elected Mr. Hamlin did so for the purpose of having Mr. Waite hold the office; that they elected Mr. Hamlin with a kind of mental reservation, as it were, in favor of Mr. Waite. This proposition is too silly to require further notice, and in addition to being silly it is an insult to every man who voted for Mr. Hamlin. The Review article ceases with the statement that Mrs. Hamlin has not even suggested the matter of taking the office to Mr. Waite. Mr. Waite will not dare deny that he was called on by a representative of Mrs. Hamlin, who made known to him fully the appointment by Mr. Hamlin, of his wife as a deputy and her desire to assume the duties of the office. Nor will he deny that he absolutely refused to make an answer of any kind, but turned away an answer the person making the request of him without an answer. The fact is that Mr. Waite is simply taking advantage of the absence of Mr. Hamlin and trying to cheat him and his family out of that which justly belongs to them. He has no more right to hold the office than John H. Shupe would have to hold on to the office of county clerk. Suppose Shupe had set up the claim as does the Review for Waite, that while the people had elected Waite, they expected him, Shupe, to hold the office. We are glad to be able to say for the good name of the people of Douglas county, that almost without an exception, without regard to party, they denounce in the most positive manner, the unjust, selfish and unbecomingly course taken by Mr. Waite in this matter. What the outcome will be we are unable to say, but some way will no doubt be found by Mr. Hamlin's friends to teach this young man that he cannot with impunity trample on both law and justice.

Over in Spain Commodore Watson is spoken of as the coming man.

The Oregon delegation have recommended John Morgan for collector of customs at Empire City.

Captain Clarke of the Oregon knew what he was about when he announced that he was not afraid of the whole Spanish navy.

Collector Dunne has ruled that an order drawn on the treasuries of all orders like the Masonic, Odd Fellows, etc., must bear a revenue stamp.

The Roseburg PLAINEALER comes out in favor of the election of Binger Hermann as United States Senator. Mr. Hermann is well fitted for that high office.—Florence West.

The postoffice department asks the press to give this notice an insertion: 'Friends and relatives of soldiers in the field, should mark plainly the company and regiment to which they belong, as by doing so the distribution of the mail will be facilitated. This applies to both the regular troops and the militia volunteers.'

The annexation of Hawaii will cause all the commerce between these islands and the Pacific coast, to rank as coasting trade. This will compel all vessels engaged in the trade to register as American vessels and carry the American flag. This with the addition of a Pacific cable service, which will be only a question of a short time, will enormously swell the trade of all Pacific coast ports and create a new era of prosperity.

Cuba will surely become American territory perhaps not for a year or two, but eventually and perhaps without much delay, the influx of American population and American capital, will Americanize the island to such an extent that annexation will follow as a matter of course. It is also probable that the desire for a stable government will cause the business men among the Cubans to immediately ask for annexation to the United States.

In no other way is the result of the advancement in medical and hygienic science so clearly shown than in the reduced mortality from disease of the American army, now in the camp and in the field in Cuba and Manila when compared with that of other campaigns. The sickness of our army in Cuba is slight when compared with that of the Havana campaign of 1762, in which 5000 English troops out of 18,000 died of disease in less than two months. Of the 428,000 allied troops at one time before Sebastopol, 362,000 on the sick list at one time and 60,000 of the number died of disease.

For a number of weeks past Salem has not been troubled by any great extent with the tramp element. This organization is again beginning to besiege this city. From four to a dozen men are to be seen daily lounging about the depot grounds, depending wholly on charitable inclined persons for a living. In the midst of the grain and hay harvest now at its height throughout the valleys, there is no need of able-bodied men being out of employment. This migratory class is not confined to the male sex alone. A middle-aged woman has been soliciting among the suburban residents for food, clothing and money, the latter being the most desirable.—Capital Journal.

DONE WITH POLITICS.

Portland, July 22.—Hon. John B. Luce, middle-of-the-road populist, candidate for governor, who has been in the city for some days in attendance at the sick bed of his daughter, left yesterday for his home at Canyon City, Grant county. Mr. Luce expresses himself as done with politics and says the populists have run down in one year, what has taken ten years to build up. Mr. Luce was a delegate at the St. Louis convention and stood with Texas, in favor of a separate ticket. He has always been a consistent opponent of fusion, opposing it when Cleveland ran, opposing it four years ago and at the last election. He says fusion killed the old Greenback party and is an active assistant at the obsequies of the populist party, lately deceased. He further says there are only two parties, the Republican and Democratic.

LATE HAWAIIAN STATISTICS.

The latest and fullest information relative to the newly acquired territory of the United States, the Hawaiian islands has just been given to the public in a special publication by the bureau of statistics. Hawaii, it is shown by this statement, at present imports almost everything used, aside from sugar, coffee and fruits, attention having been almost exclusively given to the raising of sugar, all of which, aside from that consumed in the islands, is exported to the United States. Indeed the United States in 1896 took 99.64 per cent of the entire exports of the islands and supplied 76.27 per cent of all imports, and Consul General Hayward in his report expresses the opinion that in case of annexation over 95 per cent of the imports into the islands would be the growth, product or manufacture of the United States, and adds that if the American tariff were in force in the islands, about \$500,000 worth of imports which now enter free of duty and are bought in countries other than the United States, would be bought from this country, the free transportation of fertilizers and coal alone in 1896 amounting to \$466,319. The currency of the islands is of the same unit of value as that of the United States.

States. The gold is all of American mintage, and United States silver and paper money is in circulation and passes at par. The Hawaiian money is paper, the paper being secured by silver held in reserve. Banks keep two accounts with their depositors, silver and gold, and checks are so worded that the depositor may specify the account from which the check is to be paid, though in case the check does not state in what currency it is to be paid, the law provides that the holder may demand gold if the amount is over \$10. The Hawaiian silver money amounts to \$1,000,000 of which \$300,000 is held by the government to secure a like amount of paper. The total money in circulation is estimated at \$3,500,000. The annual internal taxes average \$8.48 per capita, the total revenue from all sources, \$2,223,070, in 1896, expenses, \$2,137,103, and public debt \$4,101,174, bearing interest at 5 and 6 per cent. Commercial travelers are, under the laws now in force, required to take out a license costing at Honolulu for the island upon which is located \$570, and on each of the other islands \$255.

The statement is not such as to encourage those desiring to seek employment in Hawaii. The market for all kinds of labor, it says, is over stocked, and it would be very unwise, in the opinion of the consul-general, for any one to visit the islands with no capital on the mere chance of obtaining employment, many of those who have so arrived being compelled to return disappointed. Wages on the plantations, including house and fire wood or room and board, range from \$125 to \$75 per month for engineers and sugar boilers, \$50 to \$100 per month for blacksmiths and carpenters, \$40 to \$72 per month for locomotive drivers, \$100 to \$175 per month for teamsters. In Honolulu the rates are \$5 to \$8 per day for bricklayers and masons, \$2.00 to \$3 per day for carpenters and painters, and \$3 to \$8 per day for ironsmiths. Cooks receive from \$4 to \$9 a week; nurses, hotel servants and gardeners, \$5 to \$12 per month. Retail prices of provisions are as follows: Hams, 16 to 20 cents per pound; bacon, 16 to 20 cents; flour, \$2.50 to \$5 per 100 pounds; butter, \$5.25 to \$5 per 100 pounds; lard, 25 to 50 cents per cask; and ice 100 cent per pound.

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BRIEF MENTION.

Caro Bros. are the boss merchants. Adver Marks went to Portland Saturday. For a good 5-cent cigar call on Mrs. N. Boyd. Portland's Exposition opens September 21st. Wild blackberries are not as plentiful as usual. County claims and warrants bought by D. S. West. For first-class dentistry go to Dr. Little of Oakland. Rogs in infinite variety at Alexander & Strong's. W. T. Emery of Oakland has returned from Omaha. Mataroni in one pound cartons at Zigler's grocery. Key West, imported and domestic cigars at the Roseleaf. Ride a Crescent bicycle. The easy-running, durable kind. The youngest son E. W. Carpenter, of North Roseburg, is quite sick. Simon Caro returned Sunday morning from a week's visit at Portland. L. S. Shipley has returned from a business trip to Northern California. Camp equipment, stoves, Dutch ovens, tents, etc., at Churchill & Woolley's. 100000 men wanted at the Rose Store to select great bargains before it is too late. All our goods are new and of the latest styles. No showy goods on hand at the Rose Store. At Oakland, T. L. Graves is authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions to the PLAINEALER. Large quantities of hay is being shipped from this point for which farmers are receiving good prices. Geo. W. Knibball, the capitalist, arrived Monday to spend the summer vacation.—Valley Record, Ashland. District Attorney Geo. M. Brown, was called to Eugene last week, for consultation on the Branton murder case. The best medicine you can take is that which builds a solid foundation for health in pure, rich blood—Hood's Sarsaparilla. The Square Deal store has just opened up a beautiful line of W. L. Douglas shoes, which prove to be the best shoe made. Come and inspect them. J. W. Beckler & Co., the butchers, will keep only the choicest of meats with which to supply the Roseburg public, but monthly settlements will be required. Mrs. Alice McCurdy, of Independence, who has been visiting Mrs. G. W. Colvig and Mrs. J. A. Jennings, left Saturday for Riddle to visit relatives.—Observer, Grants Pass. There is no discount on the good quality of our grains and grasses. People here at home recognize that fact. But farmers should save a few samples for strangers to gaze upon at the coming Oregon Industrial Exposition. Suits of clothes, all wool, heavy weights, \$65.00 regular price \$9. Boys' clothes from 6 to 15 years for \$1.50 and \$2. Hats all styles and colors for \$5, regular price \$1.50. All these goods are only to be found at the Rose Store. Prof. E. H. Anderson has shipped his goods to drain, whether he goes to accept the presidency of the State Normal School. He carries with him the best wishes of the people of Salem and Marion county.—Salem Independent. Fred Page-Yustin is doing some excellent work in the land office in the way of collecting and extending the records of the office. His extensive knowledge of land laws and practice makes his work especially valuable. Died, at her home in Willis gulch, July 21, 1898, Mrs. Pauline Smith, aged 82 years. The funeral and interment took place Myrtle Creek last Saturday. Deceased was well known in Douglas county and leaves many friends to mourn her death. I hereby announce myself as a candidate before the voting population of Douglas county, including the free silver men, populists, democrats and republicans, to sell land wagons from a full carload just received. Also cars of buggies, bar wire and nails at the lowest prices, all now on hand at Stearns & Christensen, Oakland, Oregon. Notice is hereby given to the public by the undersigned that I do not allow dead animals to be buried on my premises, at Roseburg, Oregon, or garbage dumped thereon or sand or gravel taken therefrom, unless the party taking sand or gravel first contract with me for the right to do so. Trespassers will be prosecuted according to law. ARON ROSS, Roseburg, Oregon, March 17th, 1898. Married, at the home of the bride in this city, Sunday, July 21, Mr. Joseph K. Jones and Miss Videlia Humphrey, Rev. Frank L. Moore officiating. The PLAINEALER joins with the many friends of the happy couple in wishing them a long and prosperous journey along the highway of life. We extend thanks for a beautiful supply of wedding cake. Thousands Celebrate With thankfulness their restoration to health by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Think of the vast army who have been cured by this medicine—Men, women and children, who have suffered the consequences of impure blood, who have been the victims of scrofula sores, eruptions, dyspepsia, nervousness, sleeplessness. They have tried other medicines and have failed to obtain relief. They tried Hood's Sarsaparilla and it did them good. They persevered in its use and it accomplished permanent cures. Do you wonder that they praise it and recommend it to you? Now is a good time to pay your subscription. Bring your job work to this office. Go to the Roseleaf for the best cigars. Now is a good time to pay your subscription.

THE SHOOTING OF SOAPY SMITH.

The Man Who did the Shooting a Brother to D. V. S. Reid.

Frank H. Reid, who killed 'Soapy' Smith at Skagway, as reported a few days ago in the dispatches, turns out to be the brother of D. V. S. Reid, of this county, recently elected president of the state normal school at Weston. Frank Reid was formerly a resident of Linn county, for a number of years a school teacher in that county. In 1870 he killed a man named Simon, at Sweet Home, in Linn county, in self-defense. He was tried and acquitted, the defense proving that he was forced to shoot Simon to save his own life. Soon after his acquittal he left Oregon and took up his residence in Washington. Several months ago he went to Skagway, where he was serving as city engineer. On July 8 a party of miners arrived at Skagway from Dawson with considerable gold. One of the party, J. D. Stewart, was accused of \$2700 by the gamblers. The vigilance committee immediately held a meeting on the wharf. Frank Reid and two or three other men were appointed guards at the entrance to the wharf. 'Soapy' Smith heard of the meeting and said he would go down single handed to stop it. He made his men stay back and armed with a Winchester started down to the wharf. Reid was the first man to meet. He walked up to him and with an oath asked what he was doing there, at the same time striking him with the barrel of his gun. Reid grabbed the gun and pushed it downward. As he did so 'Soapy' pulled the trigger. The ball passed through Reid's right groin and came out through the lower part of the right hip. Reid pulled his revolver, and fired a shot, striking Smith in the leg. Again the crack of Smith's rifle was heard and Reid felt a bullet plump into his leg. Then came the shot from his revolver that pierced Smith's heart. The fight was ended.

The meeting on the dock came to a sudden termination. Reid, who was believed to be mortally wounded, was taken to Dr. Moore's office, and a number of physicians made a hasty examination. Later in the night he was removed to Bishop Rowe hospital, where an operation was performed which gives him an excellent show for life. On the Saturday following a coroner's jury held an inquest over Smith's body. A clause in the verdict reads: 'That Smith came to his death by reason of a pistol shot fired by Frank H. Reid, who now lies in the Bishop Rowe hospital, of Skagway, dangerously wounded from shots received at the hands of the deceased. That such shooting on the part of said Reid was in self-defense and in the opinion of the jury entirely justifiable.'

Later Saturday evening the citizens again convened in meeting, with the result that a thorough organization was effected. Marshal Taylor, by his affiliation with the Smith crowd, was not considered the proper man to head an armed body of men. Captain J. M. Tanner was sworn in as deputy marshal by United States Commissioner Sellbree, about 25 others were deputized to assist Captain Tanner. Captain John L. Sperry, at one time sheriff of Umattila county, was placed at the head of the deputies, each of whom carried a Winchester rifle to preserve order and drive the 'Soaps' from the town of Skagway.—East Oregonian.

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