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Then out marched the 12 knights of the eighteenth century, mounted in David's state of mind when he complained he had not proved his armor.

As the mailed figures moved in silence among the guns, their handspikes looking like maces, their silence and the slowness of their actions seemed unnatural under the steady hail of bullets.

Not a California Bear. Anybody can catch a cold this kind of weather.

A STICK OF LICORICE. The character of the offences of 141 was against the person; 646 against property, and 19 against public morals.

Of this number 79 were under 20 years of age; 371 between 20 and 30 years; 218 between 30 and 40 years; 81 between 40 and 50 years; 17 between 60 and 80 years; 1 over 80 years; the average age being 31 years.

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Pennyroyer's Respects to Cleveland.

The following is the text of the Christmas letter mailed to President Cleveland by Governor Pennyroyer:

"Your party in both houses avowed the restoration of silver as a standard money, the people who are actually suffering from the existing prostration of business favor it, and will you not stand with them in overturning the monometallic policy of the last Congress?"

"Always remembering the unemployed multitudes all over our broad land, I pray that God may give you light and strength to do the right."

Oregon Prisoners. From advance tables of Superintendent Downing's forthcoming biennial report it is ascertained that, since the report made January 1, 1893, there have been at any time in the prison: For larceny of all kinds 419 convicts; murder in the second degree 42; manslaughter 30; burglary 80; robbery and assault to rob 7; rape, and assault to commit rape 27; forgery 49; obtaining money under false pretenses 18; selling liquor to Indians 2; sodomy 2; assault to kill and with dangerous weapons 34; embezzlement 5; arson 4; perjury and subornation 3; aiding escape of prisoners 1; receiving stolen goods 5; robbing United States mails 6; bigamy 3; counterfeiting and passing same 9; mayhem 2; robbing postoffice 2; uttering forged checks 3; incest 4; sending obscene matter through the mails and obscene writing 218; fornication 1; seduction 2; abduction 1; riot 2; malicious injury to property 2; adultery 2; other charges 32; total 806.

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Six per cent could neither read nor write and four per cent could read only. The character of the offences of 141 was against the person; 646 against property, and 19 against public morals.

On the first of January last the total of the inmates was 366, and at the present it is 351.

Only twenty-one per cent were married. In religions 278 were nominally Protestants; 326 Roman Catholics; 8 Jewish; 37 heathens; 157 nonbelievers.

Eighty per cent acknowledged having been more or less addicted to drink, and sixty per cent attributed their downfall to liquor.

Total of nationalities: American 566; Foreign born 240.

Sixty-five per cent came of poor parents; twenty per cent of comfortable parents; and fifteen of well-to-do, or unknown parentage. Eighty-five per cent were city born and fifty per cent in the country.

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400 Miles to the Land Office.

Lizzie J. Anderson arrived with her witnesses from Bowden, Or., last Saturday, to prove up on her land in that section. Bowden is about 200 miles east of Lakeview in the extreme southeast corner of the state, and as they had to come in a roundabout way, they traveled over 400 miles and were more than a week on the road.

A Lesson for the Governor. Pendleton, Dec. 26.—Christmas day Frank Fletcher, of the Milton neighborhood, shot James Ashworth, of Dry creek. Ashworth is a prominent citizen and was a candidate for sheriff at the convention last spring. Frank Fletcher was pardoned by Governor Pennyroyer last June. He was in the penitentiary for life for killing Charles Petris on Likton mountain in September, 1892. Reports by telegraph say Ashworth was shot in the leg and is not seriously hurt.

The officers captured Frank Fletcher on Basket mountain. He claims the shooting of Ashworth was accidental. Both were drunk. Fletcher will be prosecuted to the extent of the law on account of this and former acts, prior to Governor Pennyroyer pardoning him.

New Land Office Ratings. The secretary of the interior has recently rendered the following new decisions:

First—Land embraced within the claim of a qualified settler at the date a railroad grant becomes effective is excepted by such claim from the operation of the grant.

Second—Evidence of operation will raise a presumption of citizenship, as fraud on the part of the voter is not to be presumed.

Third—The sale of a soldier's additional homestead right and attempted transfer thereof by power of attorney to locate the right of said certificate is made good in the hands of the purchaser by the act of August 18, 1894, and such purchaser is accordingly entitled to the possession of the certificate.

Fourth—Timber and land entries made for speculative purposes are fraudulent and will be cancelled.

Fifth—In the investigation of a case where fraud is alleged against an entryman, proof of other acts of a similar nature done contemporaneously or about the same time is permissible to show such intent.

Sixth—Repayment of fees and commission may be allowed where the entryman, to avoid conflict resulting from an error in the local office, in good faith relinquishes his entry and takes another tract.

Seventh—A deserted wife may make a homestead entry, with credit for previous residence on the land, where her husband's entry thereof is cancelled for failure to make final proof within the statutory period.

Eighth—A joint entry cannot be allowed where there is but one residence and set of improvements maintained and occupied in common by the parties, with the intention to take separate tracts when the land is open to entry.

Ninth—The possession and occupancy of a tract by a qualified settler at a definite location on a railroad grant, serve to except the land covered thereby from the operation of the grant, even though the settler at such time supposed the land belonged to the railroad company.

Tenth—The expiration of a pre-emption filing without final proof and payment will not alone be accepted as proof of abandonment of the settlement claim at such time as to relieve a railroad grant therefrom.

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