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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Friend Grover has delivered his annual message to congress. It contains sixteen thousand words, therefore we cannot republish it in full, but will give a summary of its "points" in relation to the more weighty questions of the hour.

He speaks of our friendly relations with foreign powers and the few complications that have arisen during the past year, none of which have been beyond the reach of a settlement in friendly counsel.

Chinese outrages in the far west receive their share of attention. In regard to these he says: "I am not without assurance that the Government of China, which is friendly disposition towards the United States I am most happy to recognize will meet halfway in devising a comprehensible remedy by which an effective limitation of Chinese emigrants, joined to the protection of those Chinese subjects who tarry in this country, may be secured. Legislation is needed to execute the provisions of our Chinese convention of 1880, touching the opium traffic."

The tariff question concerns every American citizen, and he speaks on it as follows:

"In my last message to Congress attention was directed to the fact that the revenues of the Government exceeded that legitimate action should be taken to relieve the people from the unnecessary burden of taxation thus created. I repeat the recommendation. In view of the pressing importance of the subject, I deem it my duty to again urge its consideration. The income of the Government, with increased volume and thorough economy in its collection, is now more than ever in excess of public necessity, and application of the surplus to the payment of each portion of the public debt as is now at our option subject to extinguishment, if continued at the rate which has lately prevailed would retire that class of indebtedness within less than one year from this date. Thus a continuation of our present revenue would soon result in the receipt of an annual income much greater than necessary to meet Government expenses, with no indebtedness upon which it could be applied. We should then be confronted with a vast quantity of money, the circulating medium of the people, hoarded in the treasury when it should be in their hands, or we should be drawn into wasteful public extravagance with all the corrupting influences and demoralization which follows in its train.

But it is not of this only, but also the threatened attendant evils which furnish the strongest argument against our present rate of Federal taxation. Foremost place is the fact that the exaction of such a surplus forces a preservation of the relations between the people and the Government, under a dangerous departure from the ruling which limits the right of Federal taxation."

He urges the suspension of the coinage on the ground that "the more this currency is distributed among the people the greater becomes the duty to protect it from disaster, that we now have an abundance for all our needs."

As a remedy for great land frauds, he recommends the repeal of the pre-emption, timber culture and desert land acts, and an amendment of the homestead laws, so as to secure better compliance with the requirements of residence and cultivation for the period of five years from date of entry, without commutation or permission for speculative requirement.

A man named Mickel, an insurance agent of Seattle, went to Portland on business, remained a few days, and when last seen was starting for the East Portland depot to take the train for Shoshone A few days afterward his hat, cane, wallet, and a sand bag were found lying near together by the O. & C. depot, and the supposition is that he was murdered and robbed.

MUST ORGANIZE FOR SELF DEFENSE.

Truly Oregon's criminal record is growing to such proportions that it is a blight upon the pages of our hitherto peaceful and quiet history. The Albany Bulletin makes the very appropriate remark and suggestion, which it might be well in some localities to carry out.

"Oregon is overrun with a class of desperate criminals, who are murdering, robbing and stealing, at every opportunity. A man is not safe for a moment, after nightfall, if his business calls him out on the streets in Portland. He is not safe in his home anywhere, if it is known that he has money or valuables about the premises. Murderers are running riot all over the State, and every day brings the result of murder or robbery from some locality, written up by the local press.

It is about time for the people to organize 'home guards' for self preservation, and every tramp, thug and person found without visible means of support should be given to understand that his room is preferred to his company, to stand not upon the order of his going, but go at once. Just clear the country right out of such marauders, and if they don't get up and go when ordered to, put a rope round their necks and hang them up to the nearest tree. A little wholesale hanging is what the country needs to purge it of the disbanded wretches who are committing all species of crime and turning the country quite down, with their evil habits and desperate conditions.

The short way to deal with this desperate class is the safe way. Just give them to understand that they must get out of the country and stay out, or swing at a rope's end in a moment's notice. One or two wholesale hangings will stop this carnival of crime in Oregon and give the people relief.

Eastern Oregon has been greatly embarrassed for the summary manner in which it dealt with horse thieves, and other two innocent way have suffered, probably have, but many a poor, miserable horse thief has got his just deserts, and the country is enjoying a peace and quietude that it would have never experienced under the regime of the courts, that are slower than the dish in the performance of their duties. If the summary hanging of a few wretches who committed murders does not stop the carnival of crime, then hang a few lawyers who are so active in protecting criminals and delaying justice, and crime will cease, and the country will be delivered of two great evils, the greater of which it is hard to distinguish between.

The question of the military road land grant will most likely come up for consideration during the 50th congress. A voluminous report upon this subject was prepared by Senator Dolph during the last congress. In the list of grants to be considered is that of the Corvallis and Yaquina Bay Military Road. This grant was in the opinion of many, never earned to be sure, the completion of the road was certified to by the governor of the state in 1870, but it is a well-known fact that the road constructed by the company is practically no road at all. Now that the matter is before congress, it will be in order to fully investigate the subject. If the land has not been earned it should revert to the state. —Corvallis Chronicle.

Cutting has appeared with his lecture intended to annihilate Mexico. He fired it off at Dallas, Tex., to empty benches. If Texas won't flare up, the rest of the country is hopeless, and Cutting would better buy a buckeye.

Col. Ingersoll on Polygamy.

Polygamy is just as pure in Utah as it could have been in the promised land. Love and virtue are the same the world around, and justice is the same in every star. All the languages in the world are not sufficient to express the filth of polygamy. It makes of man a beast, of woman a trembling slave. It destroys the fireside, makes virtue an outcast, takes from the human speech its sweetest words, and leaves the heart a den, where crawl and hiss the slimy serpents of most loathsome lust.

Civilization rests upon the family. The good family is the unit of the good government. The virtues grow about the holy hearth of home—they cluster, bloom, and shed their perfume around the fireside where the one man loves the one woman. Lover—husband—wife—mother—father—child—home! Without these words the world is but a lair, and men and women merely beasts.

NEW TO-DAY.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land office at La Grande, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1886.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Grant county, Or., at Canyon City, Oregon, on January 7th, 1887, viz: JAMES H. JONES, D. S. No. 6344, for the S E quarter, Sec. 6, tp. 17 S. R. 33, E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Williams, Sharon Ladue, Hardeman Hanson, Jr., all of Mt. Pleasant Valley, Oregon.

9-11 HENRY BINHART, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. M. Young, Wm. Rinehart, S. C. Wilson, E. F. Stanfield, all of Canyon City, Oregon.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Robert L. Baker, of Rose, Or., Wm. Terry, J. H. Harris, John A. Ingram, all of Canyon City, Oregon.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 27, 1886.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Grant county, Or., at Canyon City, Oregon, on January 7th, 1887, viz: JAMES W. GRIFFIN, W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 23 and E 1/2 NW 1/4 and E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec 26 tp 16 S R 33 E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. M. Young, Wm. Rinehart, S. C. Wilson, E. F. Stanfield, all of Canyon City, Oregon.

9-11 H. C. McDONALD, Register.

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Land Office at La Grande, Or. November 24, 1886.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Grant county, Or., at Canyon City, Or. on January 14, 1887 viz: JOHN A. INGRAM, D S No. 6347, for the W half NE quarter, NW quarter SW quarter and NW quarter Sec. 23, tp 16 S, R 33, E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Robert L. Baker, of Rose, Or., Wm Terry, J. H. Harris, John A. Ingram, all of Canyon City, Oregon.

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—THE LATEST—

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Nov. 15th, 1886.—I have this day shipped you the finest assortment of Holiday Goods that was ever sent to Grant County, and will be sure to suit your customers. They consist in part, of a fine assortment of Rogers Bros'

FINE SILVER WARE.

Also an assortment of Barbedine ware—something new, which for beauty of design and finish is hard to equal. A fine line of

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In all shades. Something new and beautiful in design

Glass Ware of all descriptions.

Toilet sets for old and young. Genuine Bronts Lamps with Duplex Burners, one sufficient to light the town. A fine line of 8 day Clocks. Watches and Jewelry of all kinds.

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50 Men's Suits, very heavy	7.00
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