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THE TIME TO ACT.

In accordance with the opinions of everyone who has watched the matter, the refusal of the senate to recognize the claims of Mr. Corbett comes with no surprise. However confident may have been that gentlemen's backers when his appointment was first made by the governor, that Mr. Corbett would be seated, their hopes grew rapidly less as soon as the subject was brought to the attention of the senators.

This action of the senate will be satisfactory to the great majority of the people of Oregon, who disapproved of the actions of the Simon-Scott-Populist combination, which held up the legislature at Salem last winter. Mr. Corbett had few of the qualifications of a United States senator, and however anxious he might be to please his constituents, his physical condition is such that he could be nothing more than an ornamental senator.

And so ends the Corbett fiasco, and the Oregonian might as well admit that it was a game of bluff from start to finish.

The opportunity is now given Governor Lord to show his statesmanship and devotion to the party which has honored him repeatedly. Oregon has a right to be represented by two senators, and it is necessary to the welfare and good name of the state that these senators be Republicans. While we do not fear but that Republican principles will triumph next June, yet there is no telling what may result from this unholy combination of Populists, Democrats and Free Silver men. Should Governor Lord refuse to call an extra session and the Popo.-Demo. combine secure the legislature next June, what excuse can he give to the people of Oregon?

Whether or not an extra session means the election of John H. Mitchell, we do not know, nor do we care. There are plenty of men in the state who can fill the high office of senator with honor and credit to the people, and the legislature should be given an opportunity to select some such one.

We trust the governor will see his duty plainly in this matter, and not be guided by the wishes of Simon and the Oregonian. The sooner an extra session is called, the better it will be for the state of Oregon.

Robert T. Lincoln's attitude in the Maine affair is not in accord with popular feeling on the subject. This country believes that if any treachery be discovered in connection with the explosion of the Maine, Spain is to be held responsible. The administration could never justify any other view, and we think this is the way that Robert Lincoln's father would look at it, could he be here.

The sessions of the Wool-Growers' Association are proving exceedingly interesting, and there can be no doubt but that much practical benefit will be derived. We are

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JOHNSON'S YOUTH.

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Andrew Johnson left his home in North Carolina by reason of trouble with his employer, and went to the then ultra-exclusive and aristocratic village of Laurens. He had no influential family connections, and was as poor as the traditional church mouse, his worldly possessions consisting only of the clothes he wore. To one acquainted with the social conditions of the ante-bellum south, the difficulties incident to obtaining recognition by a man handicapped as Johnson was can readily be imagined. The sterling worth of the young tailor, however, made itself felt, and demanded the admiration and respect soon accorded him even by those who were wont to consider one not to the manner born deserving of but condescending notice.

Soon after reaching Laurens Johnson secured a position in a tailoring establishment, and this he held with perfect satisfaction to his employers until his return to his North Carolina home. He was a painstaking laborer, and took commendable pride in doing his work as perfectly as possible. A coat cut, fitted and made by Johnson is still in existence. It was made for Col. Henry C. Young, a prominent lawyer and politician of upper California, and is now treasured by his descendants as one of their most precious possessions. The fact that the coat is still in a good state of preservation may possibly be taken as an evidence of the excellency and durability of the work.

Johnson's stay at Laurens, brief as it was, marked a very important epoch in his life. It was there that he met his first love, Miss Sarah Word, a charming young woman of education and refinement, who saw in the modest and retiring young journeyman tailor a man of character and strength and promise. Johnson's regard for Miss Word was reciprocated, and the young people entered into an engagement to marry. They were thrown constantly into each other's society, and the future president of the United States once assisted his fiancée in laying, stuffing and quilting a quilt. This quilt is now owned by Mrs. J. F. Bolt, of Laurens, granddaughter of Miss Word, who subsequently married William Hance. On either side of the quilt are Miss Word's initials, "S. W.," which were made, stuffed and quilted by Johnson, unassisted. The enthusiastic young lover was very desirous of placing his own initials beside those of his sweetheart, but this Miss Word would not permit. The quilt was on exhibition at the Atlantic exposition last fall and attracted much attention.—National Magazine.

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