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Captain Ormsby's Annual Report on the Cascade Reserve.

Capt. S. B. Ormsby, superintendent of the Cascade forest reserve, one of the largest of the government reserves in the United States, is now busily employed in writing his report to the interior department, regarding the grazing of sheep on the reserve. This is his third report on the subject since he was appointed superintendent, one being required by the department every year, and when asked about the work, yesterday, he said that he would probably wear out the subject, if the subject did not wear him out. The report will be a most voluminous affair, and will go into details regarding the grazing of sheep on the reserve; the effects on the growth of timber and underbrush; the effects on the rainfall, floods, etc., and a variety of other subjects. The writing of these reports, by the various superintendents of the reserves, is the direct result of the constant efforts of the scientists to exclude sheep from the reserves, from the fact that it is "supposed that when everything else gives out, they turn savagely on the pine."

The report will include a variety of subjects, and details, such as the number of sheep seeking the different reservations; duration of the grazing season; the locality, the extent and general course of ranging, the damage done to the forests on the reserves, which includes killing the undergrowth by browsing, trampling it out, and injuries to the standing timber; the diminishing of the water supply by trampling the ground so that the snow melts earlier in the spring and passes off in floods before needed in the valleys; the retention of the moisture from the rainfall, it being claimed by the enemies of the sheep that the trampling of the ground causes the water to flow away instead of being absorbed by the soil.

The methods pursued by the herders, whether or not they are in the habit of setting fires to increase the grazing for the following year, is another subject upon which a report is demanded; the question of leasing the ranges on the reserve, by the department, the restrictions and limitations which should be included in the lease, the charge per head of sheep allowed on the ranges and kindred information is to be given at length; statistics are to be given regarding the value of the sheep industry, the number of sheep on the reserve, the amount of the wool production, the value of the wool, the value of the sheep, the amount of capital invested in the industry, and a thousand and one other points, regarding the grazing and rearing of sheep on the forest reserves.

While Captain Ormsby did not say what his conclusions would be on the various points involved, it is not likely that he will agree with the scientists regarding the destructiveness of the sheep on the reserves, in view of the fact that the superintendent has long been a resident of Oregon, and for many years a breeder of sheep; in addition to that, he has travelled thousands of miles on the reserves, during the past three years, studying the questions involved; he has followed the sheep on the ranges for days, camping with the herders, and closely observing the actions of the sheep, the condition of the ground where they had passed, and after making these extended investigations, he appears to be more than ever imbued with the idea that the theories of the scientists are entirely wrong, as the practical knowledge gained by him on the ground combats the views of the scientists at the national capital. It might do for some Easterner, or some Mazama who climbed Mt. Hood some time, to believe that the sheep would get away with the entire reservation, mountains and all, but it is doubtful whether any one having any practical knowledge on the subject, would ever believe that the sheep would in any manner injure the forests on the reserve.—Salem Statesman.

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NOTICE.

STATE OF OREGON,
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In accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act submitting to the Electors of the State of Oregon at the General Election to be held on the first Monday in June, 1900, the pending Proposed Constitutional Amendments," approved February 18, 1899, I, T. T. Geer, Governor of the State of Oregon, do hereby cause the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, as certified to by the Secretary of State, to be published for five consecutive weeks in THE DALLES CHRONICLE, a newspaper published in the Seventh Judicial District of the State of Oregon.

Done at the Capitol, at Salem, Oregon, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1899.
[SEAL]
T. T. GEER, Governor.

By the Governor:
F. I. DUNBAR, Secretary of State.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 4.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and is hereby proposed:

That section 10 of Article XI, of the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and the same is hereby abrogated, and in lieu thereof Section 10 of Article XI, shall be as follows:

ARTICLE XI.

Section 10. No county, city, town, school district or other municipal corporation shall be allowed to become indebted in any manner or for any purpose to an amount including present existing indebtedness in the aggregate exceeding five per centum on the value of the taxable property therein to be ascertained by the last assessment for State and county taxes previous to the incurring of such indebtedness.

Adopted by the Senate January 30, 1893.
C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate.
Concurred in by the House, February 2, 1893.
W. P. READY, Speaker of the House.
Adopted by the Senate January 31, 1899.
JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.
Concurred in by the House, February 4, 1899.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 13.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon, in lieu of Section Ten of Article Seven (7), be and the same is hereby proposed, to-wit:

SECTION TEN.

The Legislative Assembly may provide for the election of Supreme and Circuit Judges in distinct classes, one of which classes shall consist of five Justices of the Supreme Court, who shall not perform circuit duty; and the other class shall consist of as many Circuit Judges as may be deemed necessary, who shall hold full terms without allotment and who shall take the same oath as the supreme judges.

The Legislative Assembly may create as many circuits as may be necessary.

Adopted by the Senate, February 15, 1893.
C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate.
Concurred in by the House, February 15, 1893.
W. P. READY, Speaker of the House.
Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1895.
JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.
Concurred in by the House, February 6, 1895.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION, NO. 10.

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and hereby is proposed:

That the Constitution be amended by adding Article XIX, as follows, to-wit:

ARTICLE XIX.

Section 1. The necessary use of lands for the construction of reservoirs or storage basins for the purpose of irrigation or for rights of way for the construction of canals, ditches, flumes or pipes to convey water to the place of use for any useful, beneficial or necessary purpose, or for drainage, or for drainage of mines or the workings thereof, by means of roads, railroads, tramways, cuts, tunnels, shafts, hoisting works, dumps or other necessary means to their complete development or any other use necessary to the complete development of the natural resources of the state or preservation of the health of its inhabitants, is hereby declared to be a public use and subject to the regulation and control of the state.

Section 2. The right to appropriate the unappropriated waters of any natural stream to beneficial uses shall never be denied.

Section 3. The use of all waters now appropriated for sale, rental or distribution, also of all waters originally appropriated for private use, but which, after such appropriation, has heretofore been or may hereafter be sold, rented or distributed, is hereby declared to be a public use and subject to the regulation and control of the state in the manner prescribed by law. But the right to use and appropriate such waters shall be subject to such provisions of law for the taking of private property for public or private use as provided in Section 18, Article 1 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon.

Section 4. The right to collect taxes or compensation for the use of water supplied to any county, city, town or water district or inhabitants thereof, is a franchise, and cannot be exercised except by authority of and in a manner prescribed by law.

Adopted by the House, February 15, 1893.
W. P. READY, Speaker of the House.
Signed March 7, 1893.)
Adopted by the Senate, February 17, 1893.
C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate.
(Signed March 28, 1893.)
Adopted by the House, February 6, 1895.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.
Concurred in by the Senate, February 12, 1895.
JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2.

proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the state of Oregon, by repealing Section 35 of Article 1.

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring: That section 35 of Article 1 of the Constitution be and hereby is repealed.

Adopted by the House, January 11, 1893.
W. P. READY, Speaker of the House.
Concurred in by the Senate, January 30, 1893.
C. W. FULTON, President of the Senate.
Adopted by the House, January 30, 1895.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.
Concurred in by the Senate, February 12, 1895.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring: That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Oregon be and is hereby proposed:

ARTICLE 1.

The elective franchise in this State shall not hereafter be prohibited to any citizen on account of sex.

Adopted by the Senate, February 6, 1895.
JOSEPH SIMON, President of the Senate.
Adopted by the House, February 6, 1895.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.
CHAS. B. MOORES, Speaker of the House.
Adopted by the Senate, January 31, 1899.
T. C. TAYLOR, President of the Senate.
Adopted by the House, January 31, 1899.
E. V. CARTER, Speaker of the House.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
STATE OF OREGON,
Office of Secretary of State.

I, F. I. DUNBAR, Secretary of State of the State of Oregon and Custodian of the seal of said State, do hereby certify that I have compared the preceding copy of Senate Joint Resolution No. 4, of the Legislative Assembly of 1893,—"Municipal Indebtedness amendment;" Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 of the Legislative Assembly of 1893,—"Judiciary Amendent;" House Joint Resolution No. 10 of the Legislative Assembly of 1895,—"Irrigation Amendment;" House Joint Resolution No. 2 of the Legislative Assembly of 1895,—"Repealing Amendment;" and Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 of the Legislative Assembly of 1895,—"Equal Suffrage Amendment," with the original copies now on file in this office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and the whole thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed hereto the seal of the State of Oregon.
[SEAL]
Done at the Capitol, at Salem, Oregon, this Third day of November, A. D. 1899.

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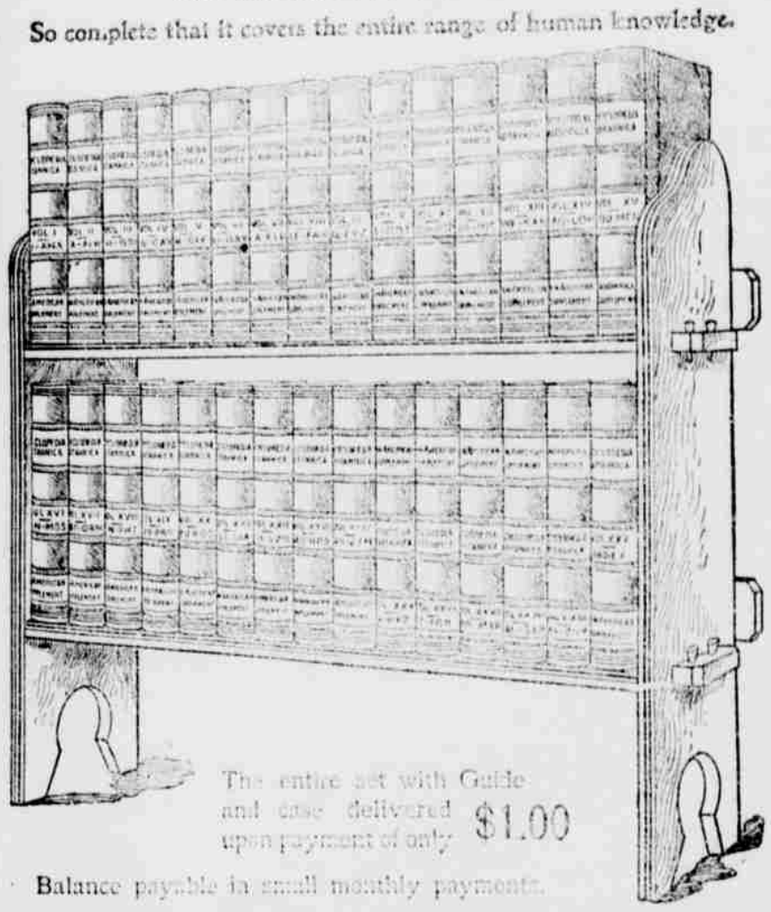

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