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SALEM, FRIDAY, SEPT. 13, 1878.

WHO SHALL BE SENATOR?

A permanent organization of both houses of the Legislature having been effected yesterday (Monday) according to law of the United States, the balloting for U. S. Senator will commence on Tuesday next, September 16, and experience of past sessions shows that no business of any consequence is ever transacted previous to the Senatorial election. The week to come will be occupied in working up the claims of respective candidates, and as these are more numerous than usual, and many conflicting interests are involved, it is probable that another week will be occupied in balloting, and the contest may involve a very important portion of the short session of forty days.

Candidates abound, and are most of them on hand to attend to and foster their chances. Mr. J. H. Slater, of Union county, is here, looking very robust and sparing no effort to win. He was in Congress a few years ago, and would like promotion to the upper house. He has some positive strength, say a dozen votes, but it takes 46 to elect.

Judge McArthur is named in this connection, but his official oath is in the way, as he swore to accept no other office during the term for which he was elected Judge. Many think this bars him out.

At Portland we hear of Dr. Hawthorne, who would puzzle some of them if he were a candidate, but he assures us that he is not. If he was a candidate there would be lively work, but he has too good a thing at East Portland, and values his Insane Asylum too highly to even want to go to the Senate. Perhaps his experience in one would qualify him somewhat for having control and influence in the other.

Col. Effinger is talked of, but he is probably not a candidate, or if he is, prefers to stalk in as the "dark horse" that will finally win.

The formidable man from Portland is Hon. J. S. Smith, who will no doubt have great strength, and will give other candidates some trouble. All against him is his feeble health, but since the Senatorial question has scented the air Mr. Smith has climbed up from the borders of the grave to be more than a looker on, and an election will no doubt complete the miracle. Certain it is that no man in Oregon can do his party more honor than Jos. S. Smith.

General Jo Lane is here with us, and proposes to stay long enough to make an effort to represent us once more in the U. S. Senate. The name of Jo Lane has power still, even if the old man is now over 78 years of age. If he was a dozen years younger, and Jo Smith were a stout and hearty man, there would be a lively time, and one of them might be the winner.

Ex-Senator Kelly is also willing. Being in the Senate once seems to suit a man so well that they are seldom known to stay away of their own accord. Col. Kelly is a genial gentleman, and never did us any discredit, and was much respected in Washington when there.

Here in Salem we can spare a few, if high offices need filling. Governor Chadwick will enter the field with a good eight years record, and his late prompt action in behalf of Eastern Oregon during the Bannack war is certainly nothing to his disadvantage. Chadwick will make things lively, and the very fact that a bitter warfare is against him in certain quarters is nothing to his discredit. Judge Bonham is said to be in the field; ex-Senator Noemith is said to be out of the game himself and doing all he can for his friend Mr. Bush, as are certain others who have been a long time intimately connected with Democratic politics in this vicinity.

R. S. Strain, of Albany, is here, looking stout enough to carry away the prize from all opponents. He is perfect in physical appearance, and with thirteen votes to start on has a better show to "hold the fort," than most of his competitors. Judge Baldwin of Albany is also here, said to have a vacant Senatorship in his eye, but he hasn't Strain's 13 votes for a starter, nor that gentleman's mountainous and well fed look.

Out here we hear that L. F. Lane, is willing to go to the Senate instead of his father, or any other man, and still further South Judge Prior is named, but we have no positive evidence that the Judge is anxious for it.

We may have omitted some of the numerous aspirants, but we have sketched sixteen, more or less, who are slanders if they are not candidates, and our readers can have that much information as to who is in the field, and can form their own conclusions.

The Senatorial election will for a while be an absorbing topic through the State, as well as at the State Capitol. It cannot be expected that all these conflicting interests will harmonize readily, and we may expect a strong contest, even if it is short, sharp and decisive.

PORTAGE ROADS ON THE COLUMBIA.

The following communication from Dr. Aug. C. Kinney to the Standard, is interesting as throwing light on an important subject. We are strongly of the opinion that the State should find some way to aid the people of Eastern Oregon by lessening cost of transportation on the Columbia river, which can be most speedily accomplished by construction of narrow track roads at both portages if necessary.

BETTER STANDARDS—In noticing my communication on the narrow gauge road, you are mistaken in the point at which it was suggested the State should build the railroad. It

was at the Dalles-portage (from the Dalles to Celilo) and not across the Cascade portage. I am not in favor of the State building a portage railroad at the Cascades. We should instead, make every endeavor to secure appropriations to build the locks and canal as soon as possible. If sufficient appropriation is secured it will not take more than two years to complete the work, and after the completion of the locks and canal there would of course be no need of the railroad. But even now the distance which is necessary to transport the freight from one boat to another is so very short the carrying can be done nearly as cheap on wagons as by rail. The distance is not more than one and a half miles to two miles at the farthest, and if it is proved as I think it will be—that steamers with good power can at all stages of water reach the point which the Willamette Chief reached in 1877, the distance across will be reduced to three-fourths of a mile. But since we cannot hope for an appropriation for the locks and canal at the Dalles for some time, nor yet for the necessary improvement of the river between the Dalles and Celilo, I suggest that the State build this cheap narrow gauge railroad there. With proper restriction as to the rates, we certainly would have the Columbia as free as the Willamette. We can thank a Democratic Legislature for giving us a free Willamette with the completion of the locks at Oregon City. With a Democratic Legislature can we not reasonably expect a free Columbia? Not only in justice to Eastern Oregon, but in justice to Western Oregon, that we may retain the trade of the Columbia river basin that rightfully belongs to us. AUG. C. KINNEY.

Flax Manufacture.

Mr. Alex. Humphries, who has had long experience in flax manufacture, is now in San Francisco, where he has been laid up by an injury received last June, writes Dr. Pilkington, that if he can be made to see that the flax of Oregon suits dressing for the manufacture of linen goods, he will start at once for our State. He says he has orders for thousands of tons of dressed flax, and has traveled through all parts of California where flax is grown, and has received samples which the growers pronounce good, but in his opinion it was worthless as far as the fiber is concerned, as it was from 18 inches to 30 inches long, and very much branched, there being from 3 to 5 stalks from one root. He says: "What suits me 3 to 4 feet long, or longer; middling fine and only one stalk from the same root. No crop that can be put in the ground pays better than flax, if properly managed; and none pays worse if cultivated in the 'slovenly' way they do in California."

"From Russia alone, upwards of fifteen millions of dollars worth of flax was imported into Great Britain last year, besides that received from other countries."

"Please send samples as soon as possible to Oregon Immigration office, 504 Battery street, San Francisco, care of Col. Tappan, manager, and he will send for me at once."

Mr. Humphries wrote, last winter or spring, several communications to the FARMER, and we suggest that those engaged in growing flax for fiber should put up samples of the best they have and send them to Col. Tappan, Oregon Board of Immigration, 504 Battery St., San Francisco, and if such packages are left at any railroad depot in this valley, we venture to say that they will be forwarded to their destination free of charge. While we shall be benefited by having flax manufactures established among us, we must be also directly benefited by having the excellence of our flax established abroad.

It strikes us that Mr. Humphries can find samples of Oregon flax on exhibition at the office of Col. Tappan, San Francisco, and his mind can easily be satisfied on this subject, if he will come to Oregon, where plenty of flax is now to be seen in the fields ready for use.

Suits Instituted.

The following additional suits have been commenced in the Circuit Court against the Pacific Threshing Machine Company since our report last week: Thompson, Dehart & Co., \$406; S. Pelton, \$1,500; R. P. Drake, \$318.29; Weatherford & Co., \$259.50; Louis Savage, \$2,668; George Tillotson, \$793; Thomas Holman, \$835; making in all the sum of \$6,779.79. This, together with the amount of the two suits filed last week by the Capital Lumbering Company, of this city, and Hawley, Dodd & Co., of Portland, make a total of \$10,279.80.

Marion County Penona Grange.

Marion county Penona Grange will hold a regular quarterly meeting in Salem on Friday the 4th day of October next, beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. The election of officers for the ensuing year with other important business will be transacted at this meeting. A full meeting is important. DAN'L CHASE, Salem, Sept. 7th, 1878. Master.

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Notice. On the 17th day of July last, T. Cunningham made an assignment to me for the benefit of his creditors, leaving in our possession, at various places in this valley, a quantity of HEADERS, DRILLS, SEEDERS, CULTIVATORS, PLOWS, and other agricultural implements, which must be sold, and are offered at very low prices. All persons having claims against the said Assignor will please present the same, duly certified, at this office, and all parties indebted to him, whether by note or account, are required to make immediate payment of the same to the undersigned, and save the cost of collection. JACOB OGLE, GEO. BEST, W. M. CUNNINGHAM, Assignees of T. Cunningham & Co. Salem, Sept. 2, 1878.

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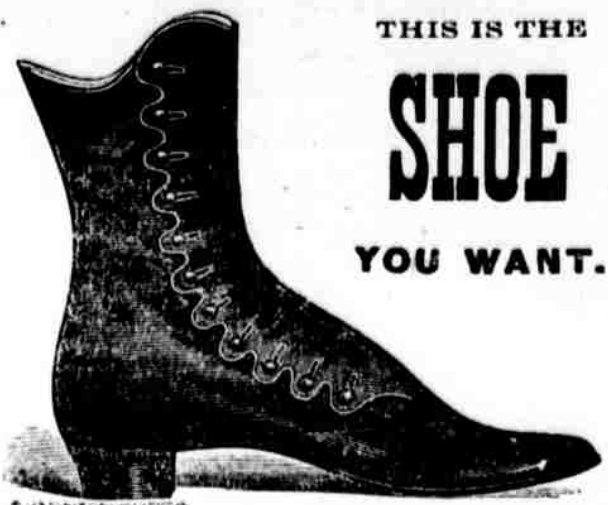
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