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LEGISLATURE OF OREGON

House.

MONDAY, Sept. 16.

Invitation was received from W. W. Chapman to attend at Opera House at 3:30 p. m. to hear address on the railroad question.

Petition for running line between Grant and Baker counties be run, was read again and referred to committee on counties.

Petition for charter for Independence was read and referred to committee on corporations.

Memorial for protection of salmon was read and referred to committee on commerce.

BILLS READ SECOND TIME.

H B 28 by Stearns, to regulate water rates in cities of 10,000 inhabitants.

H B 30 by Green, amending common school law.

H B 31 by Kahler, to amend incorporation of Jacksonville.

H B 32 by Thompson, relating to tonnage on Columbia and Willamette rivers.

H B 33 by Chenoweth to amend laws on public roads.

H B 34, Hazard, to incorporate Lebanon. Communication from Secretary of State Earhart that ex-Secretary of State Chadwick had sued permit for a lunch room in the Capitol, but not for a liquor room.

TUESDAY, Sept. 17.

HOUSE—FORENOON.

H B No 1, for leave to build Portland bridge, was favorably reported for select committee.

BILLS READ FIRST TIME.

H B 35, by Gates, appropriating \$5,000 to pay expenses of Centennial exhibit.

H B 36, by Reed, to regulate corporations. On motion Chief Clerk was authorized to employ reading clerk.

H B 37, to protect bridges and regulate travel over them.

H B 38, by Reed, to regulate foreign corporations.

H B 39, by Campbell, to regulate mining claims.

H B 40, by Campbell, relating to contests for swamp lands.

House then proceeded to vote for United States Senator with following result:

For J. H. Slater.—Beckley, Chandler, Curtis, Chenoweth, Campbell, Caldwell, Dorris, Everts, Green, Grant, Gates, Galloway, Hewitt, Hansard, Hendricks, Johnson, Matthieu, Newman, Purdin, Reinhart, Reeves, Schroder, Stewart, Townsend, Wheeler, White, Wright, Wedell, Schooling Mr. Speaker.—39.

For D. W. Hare.—Bewley, Carter and Cole.—3.

For J. N. Dolph.—Acton, Sterns.—2.

For J. H. Mitchell.—Bennett, Wentzinger.—2.

For R. P. Boise.—Durham, Gilbert, Ramsby Smith, Scott, Tyson.—6.

For J. W. Nesmith.—Fountain, Kahler.—2.

For W. C. Johnson.—Forbes, Kelly, Starkweather, Will.—4.

For A. J. Dufur.—Fretland.—1.

For Capt. L. S. Scott.—Lee.—1.

For J. F. Watson.—Riley, Thompson.—2.

For Henry Failing.—Reed.—1.

For E. R. Geary.—Stratton.—1.

Blank.—Bradley, Hughes, Shelburg.—3.

No. 7, had been concurred and house concurred.

H. B. No. 8, authorizing Dalles city to dispose of certain property was read.

Gates moved to refer to committee on public lands; carried.

H. B. No. 9; to provide for the election of a superintendent of the penitentiary, Galloway moved to refer to special committee of three with permission to report any time.

Campbell moved to amend by inserting judiciary committee; amendment lost; the original motion was then adopted.

The speaker appointed Galloway, Green and Thompson.

A message from the Senate announced the concurrence of the Senate in H. C. R. No. 4.

H. B. No. 10; to prevent the employment of Chinese on public works: Acton moved that the bill be ingrossed and read a third time to-morrow; carried.

H. B. No. 5; to amend the charter of the city of Portland, on motion was read a second time by title; referred to a committee.

H. B. No. 12; to punish persons for breaking the peace; referred.

H. B. No. 13; to protect game and fish; referred to committee on military affairs.

H B No 14; to amend the code relating to judgment debtor; referred.

H B No 15; to amend the code relating to school law and fixing the conditions necessary to draw school funds, referred.

H B No 16; to amend the code limiting time of commencing suit to recover real property; referred.

Message from the senate announcing the adoption of S C R No 17; appointing a committee to visit the State University; house concurred and appointed Purdin, Reeves and White.

H B No 17; to amend the road law; referred.

H B No 18; to protect stock raisers; ordered to be engrossed and read third time.

H B No 20; relating to assessors; referred.

H B No 31; to amend the charter of the city of Jacksonville; referred.

H B No 34; to incorporate the town of Lebanon; referred.

Message from the Senate announced that the Senate had adopted S J R No 8, appointing a committee to examine the books of the canal commissioners; house concurred and appointed Hughes, Starkweather and Wedell.

Thompson presented a memorial for the city of Portland requesting an amendment to the bill now before the house providing for the water supply for the city.

PHIITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Purdin—H B No 52; to amend the code relating to the school law.

Bradley—H B No 53; to fix the time of the meeting of the legislature of the state of Oregon.

Smith gave notice of a bill to regulate the interest on money.

Chandler—H B No 54; to define the boundary line between the counties of Grant and Baker.

Chenoweth gave notice of a bill to grant the swamp land to Coose and Curry for the construction of a railroad.

Stearns gave notice of a bill to fix the time of commencing action to recover real property.

Kahler gave notice of a bill to protect stock men; also in relation to fees in general.

Shelburg gave notice of a bill to prevent hogs from damaging grain fields in the Willamette valley.

Bewley gave notice of a bill in relations to school fund.

A message from the senate announced the appointment of a committee to enquire into the business of the office of school superintendent.

House concurred and appointed White, Starkweather and Lee.

Bewly gave notice of a bill to amend code relating to annual meetings of school districts.

S B 64, by Watt relating to care of insane.

S B 65, by Brown amending law fixing times for holding Circuit Courts.

water supply of that city. Read and referred to Multnomah delegation.

Galloway, of special committee on H B No 9, relating to government of penitentiary; reported substituted.

BILLS READ FIRST TIME.

H B 57, by Stearns to provide for notice of action to recover real property.

H B 58, by Smith, to limit time to commence action to recover real property.

H B 59, by Weddel, giving validity to deeds heretofore made to purchasers in good faith.

H B 6, for relief of A. Wing, appropriating \$2,000, expenses in arrest of G. W. Hawkins.

H B 61, by Kelly, amending laws relating to assessors salaries and per diem.

H B 62, by Bowley, relating to payment of State taxes by county treasurers.

H R No 18, inviting Senate to convene with House at noon to-day to canvass vote for United States Senator. Adopted.

H B 63, by Reed, amending act to incorporate city of Salem.

H B 64, by Kahler, providing for exposing of hides of any animals killed.

H B 65, by Dorris, to regulate duties of school districts in purchasing apparatus.

H B 66, by Johnson, giving Samuel and C. N. Berry the exclusive use of Canyon creek, Grant county to raft wood etc., on certain conditions.

H B 67, by Everts, Umatilla Flume Co., to have exclusive use of Umatilla river for certain purposes.

JOINT CONVENTION.

At the hour of twelve, meridian, the two houses met in the hall of the Representatives to canvass the votes cast yesterday in each house for United States Senator.

The Senate having entered and been properly received the President of the Senate announced the object of the convention and the act of Congress regulating election of Senators was read by the Secretary of the Senate.

Minutes of the action of the Senate on yesterday were then read showing election of J. H. Slater.

Minutes of action of the House on yesterday were read showing that J. H. Slater received a majority of the votes cast.

The president of the convention then announced that it appearing that Hon. J. H. Slater has received the majority of the votes cast in either house, he declared him duly elected United States Senator for six years from the fourth of March next.

SENATE.

MONDAY, Sept. 16, 1878.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 P. M. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Chambers.

T. H. Cann, agent State lands commission, sent in communication that his report would be ready at an early day.

BILLS READ FIRST TIME.

S B 61, Bently, to regulate rafting logs, lumber, etc.

S B 52, Ross, for destruction of noxious weeds.

S B 53, Grim, relative to incorporation of Gervais.

S B 54, Myers, warrants payable from sale of swamp lands to be received in payment therefor.

S B 55, Bradshaw, to create the office of clerk of board of commissioners of State lands.

BILLS READ SECOND TIME.

S. B. No. 3, by Fulton, redistricting and apportioning the State, referred to committee on elections.

Smith of Lane and Lord of Marion appointed on committee created by H C R 5, relative to change in constitution in relation to the office of State Printer.

TUESDAY, Sept. 17.

BILLS READ SECOND TIME.

S B 4 Relating to duties of State Treasurer, referred to ways and means committee.

S B 15, Relating to attachments, referred to Judiciary.

Senate then proceeded to election of United States Senator, and the vote stood as follows:

For James H. Slater, Bilyeu, Bradshaw, Brown, Burch, Burnett, Cochran, Davidson, Davis, Green, Haines, Haley, Jasper, Meyers, Palmer, Pennington, Smith, Thompson Whiteaker, 18.

For L. L. Rowland, Applegate, Colvig, 2.

For Harrison Kelly, Bentley, Ross, 2.

For W. D. Hare, Fulton, George, 2.

For N. R. Night, Grim, Lord, Wadlo, 3.

For J. N. Dolph, Apperson, Hirsch, 2.

For Jesse Applegate, What. 1.

S C R No 1, was adopted, Empowering committee on Penitentiary to employ a clerk.

S B 18 to amend charter of Albany, read second time and referred.

S B 34, to amend charter of Marshfield, read and referred.

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H C R No 3; to appoint a committee to investigate the state printing; senate concurred; committee appointed, Haley.

George—S B No 35; reported from the committee, ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Bradshaw—S B No 13; regarding the charter of the town of Lafayette; ordered engrossed and read a third time.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Fulton—Petition for a road from Nehalem river to Summer house, on Clatsop; referred.

Haines presented a petition from Baker county for settlement of war claims; laid on the table.

Committee on federal relations report S J R No 1; to provide for joint committee on war claims; adopted, committee appointed Thompson and Lord.

Committee on judiciary report the appointment of V R Hyde their clerk.

Myers—C R No 12; to appoint a committee to inquire into the canal commissioners; adopted Myers and George appointed.

S C R No 13; to appoint a committee to visit the State University and report on the same; committee, Brown and Fulton.

Burnett presented J M No 1; relating to Chinese immigration; remonstrating against the importation of Chinese coolies as a violation of the Burlingame treaty because it is not voluntary; referred.

Burnett—J M No 2; praying an appropriation for funds to build a harbor of refuge on the Pacific coast at Cape Foulweather; referred.

S C R No 14; for a committee to examine into the report of the State superintendent of public instruction and report the same, adopted, committee appointed, Myers and Jasper.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Brown—S B No 56; for the relief of John Flanagan.

George—S B No 57; bill to provide for equal and uniform taxation.

Fulton—S B No 58; a bill to amend the criminal code.

Bradshaw—S B No 59; to provide for the aid of internal improvements by the sale of swamp lands.

Burnett—S B No 60; bill to amend laws referring to the state treasurer's duties.

George—S B No 61; bill to amend laws relating to attachments, etc.

Apperson—S B No 62; bill to amend the laws relating to assessments of property and collection of taxes.

SEPTEMBER 18.

Bilyeu, chairman of committee on corporation reported amendments to the S B 53.

Cochran, chairman of committee on printing, reported amendment to joint rules. Adopted.

Jasper, from Committee on Railroads, reported S B 1, without recommendation.

S B 63, by Bentley, relating to liens of laborers on personal property.

JAMES H. SLATER.

Senator elect from Oregon, was born in Bangamon county Ill., in the year 1827, and is now past 51 years of age. He came to California in 1849, to Oregon in 1850, locating in Benton county, near Corvallis, where he taught school 18 months. Studying law meanwhile, and commencing practice of that profession in 1858. He was editor of the Oregon Weekly Union, at Corvallis, about the outbreak of the civil war, and took active part in politics as a Democrat, representing Benton county several times in the territorial and state Legislatures. He removed to Auburn, Baker county, in Eastern Oregon in 1863, where he practiced law and worked

hard in his mining claim, not striking it very rich however. He removed to Grande Ronde valley, Union county, in 1866, where he varied the practice of law with care of a farm. In 1870 he was elected to Congress, and made a very correct and hard working member. The most serious charge against him is he took back pay for congressional services. In financial matters he is in favor of doing away with national banks and substituting national currency for their circulation. He is opposed to inflation and believes that government currency should stand on a coin basis. We consider Mr. Slater an honest man who will do his best to advance the interests of Oregon.

Our Centennial Exhibit.

It is beyond question that the Oregon exhibit at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition was a great credit to our State, and was very influential in making our resources known through the world and secured a large immigration for our State. Its money value cannot easily be computed, but it was worth much more to Oregon than the \$1,000 appropriated by the State to pay traveling expenses of our Centennial Commissioner, or than the four thousand additional the State will be out if it pays all the other expenses of the exhibit and a reasonable sum for the time expended by its agents. That we were able to make such a praiseworthy showing was due chiefly to the unremitting and very able efforts of Andrew J. Dufur, our Centennial Commissioner, who expended liberally both of his time and of his money, to have the State of Oregon properly represented at the great world's exposition.

Mr. Dufur has made a report of his proceedings to the Governor and we hope the subject will receive the earnest and liberal attention of the members and that they will fairly consider the value of the time expended by him, and the various expenses incurred, and will not hesitate to appropriate a sufficient sum to discharge the obligation, for all men of judgement, and with liberal views, must recognize that the State incurred a heavy obligation when it permitted a private individual to do so much towards carrying this work along. Let us refund him the money expended with interest, and also pay him a reasonable per diem for the time he so generously and zealously devoted to advance our common interest.

GOOD TESTIMONIALS.

The following letters are only two of a score that might be made public, giving the unvarnished opinion of eminent men, as to the value of Hon. A. J. Dufur's services, both to Oregon and to the United States, during the time of the Centennial Exposition.

Mr. J. L. Campbell, President of Wabash College Indiana, who was permanent Secretary of the Centennial Exposition, writes as follows to W. S. Ladd Esq. of Portland.

Philadelphia, Aug. 27th. 1878. W. S. Ladd Esq. Dear Sir.—In reply to your letter of July the 30th., just received, I take very great pleasure in repeating what I have heretofore said in regard to the services by Hon. A. J. Dufur, in the interest of Oregon, at Philadelphia in 1876.

The attractive display made by the state was due chiefly to him, and during all the months of preparation and the continuance of the exhibition no one devoted himself more earnestly and successfully to his duties than Mr. Dufur. He was always at his post, ever ready to give information as to the resources and capabilities of Oregon, nor do I doubt but important, substantial good has come to your state through his efficient labors. Very truly yours.

J. L. CAMPBELL. Sec. U. S. C. G. The following letter is to Mr. Dufur from Hon. A. J. Dufur, of Maine who is now Insurance Commissioner for that state.

AUGUSTA Maine, April 12, 78. Hon. A. J. Dufur, Dear Sir.—Your letter just received and it gives me great pleasure to read your letter after having been present during the whole of the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, in 1876. I can truly say that in my opinion no state was better represented than Oregon in the presence of yourself. You were always at your post from morning till night. You was in honor to your state as well as to the Board of Commissioners. Oregon's exhibit was one of the finest made, and was the admiration of all who saw it. I about feel as if I should be willing to leave my home and go to your state to spend my life, and if I was not more than 40, I would do so. I hope to see you again sometime. I am well and look back upon our acquaintance with great pleasure.

Yours truly, JOSUA NYA.