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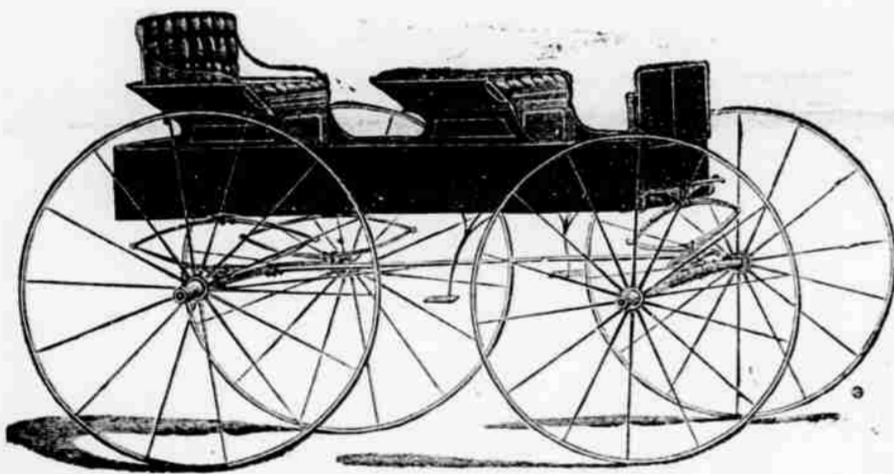
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THE LEGISLATURE.

The Standing Committees in the House Appointed.

A LARGE NUMBER OF BILLS.

Both Houses Will Adjourn To-Day to Attend the Funeral of the Late Senator Eastham.

SALEM, Jan. 19.—The legislature assembled at 2 o'clock to-day, after the temporary adjournment, and promptly took up the work of the session.

The joint resolution from the senate in relation to the death of Senator Eastham, at his home in Oregon City on Sunday, and adjourning the two houses on Tuesday at 12 o'clock to attend the funeral in a body, reassembling again at 10 o'clock on Wednesday, was adopted.

The action of the house upon the subject of increasing the per diem pay of members to \$7 per day was an indication of their sentiments on that subject. The motion to lay the matter on the table was promptly voted down and the resolution referred to the judiciary committee.

Five more wagon road bills were introduced to-day, calling for an appropriation aggregating \$31,000, and bringing the total asked for up to \$165,000.

The effect of the long recess was plainly evident in both houses of the legislature to-day. Over fifty bills were introduced in the house, and about half that number in the senate. All of them were read the first time, most of them merely by title, which occupied the greater portion of the afternoon.

IN THE SENATE. The senate assembled at two o'clock. Senators Weatherford and Gates were granted leave of absence. Senator Cross notified the senate of the death of Senator E. L. Eastham, of Clackamas county, and offered a resolution that the sympathies of the senate be extended to the bereaved family; adopted.

The president appointed, on the joint committee to examine the land department, Senators Cogswell and Eakin.

To examine the Agricultural college, Senators Hatch and Veatch.

Introduction of bills—By Veatch, to incorporate the town of Cottage Grove.

By Willis, to regulate the insurance business in Oregon.

By Norval, to incorporate the town of Elgin.

By Carson, to provide for the compulsory education of all blind persons in Oregon.

By Fulton, to authorize a contract for the conveying of insane and prisoners.

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By Fulton, to prohibit certain fish from being taken from the Columbia.

By Willis, to regulate lien judgments in the courts of Oregon.

By Matlock, to provide for an insane asylum in Eastern Oregon.

By Willis, to regulate the observance of Sunday.

IN THE HOUSE. After prayer, and reading of the journal, the speaker announced the following as the

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Oregon's Constitution Discussed in the Senate.

THE ELECTION BILL DEBATE.

A Bill to Punish by Imprisonment Persons Who Furnish Firearms to Indians Introduced in the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—In the senate Mitchell presented a resolution, which went over, calling on the secretary of war for copies of all recommendations and statements of the board of trade as to the site for a gun factory on the Pacific coast.

The election bill was taken up and George spoke. He remarked in the course of his speech that such had been said about the new constitution of Mississippi, which is less liable to abuse than those of several other states. He asserted that the constitution of Oregon, adopted in 1857, contained provisions prohibiting the immigration of negroes and practically outlawing them.

Dolph said that the constitution was framed when Oregon was hopelessly democratic under the lead of General Joe Lane. It had not since been amended. George dwelt on the matter at some length, saying in response to the query of Dolph that these provisions may not be an expression of the judgment of the people of Oregon at present, but that they were the expression of that time, and the people of Oregon have not seen fit to withdraw them.

Senator Sanders to-day introduced a bill making it an offense, punishable by fine and imprisonment, for any person to sell or lend firearms and ammunition to Indians.

The intention of the democrats in the house to resort to obstructive tactics until the fate of the election bill is decided in the senate was again manifested to-day, a fight being made over the appointment of the speaker and Springer in a mild way making things interesting for each other.

MURDERED HIS DAUGHTER. James M. Eshanks Hanged at San Jose, California.

SAN JOSE, Jan. 19.—James M. Eshanks was executed in the county jail yard this morning for the murder of his daughter Ada, aged 16, at Los Gatos in December, 1884.

Eshanks is a large man weighing 200 pounds, and had been converted to Christianity. The consolation seemed to support him wonderfully in the trying hour.

At 11:45 o'clock he was brought to the gallows and stepped on steps without aid. After delivering two prayers by his spiritual adviser, he raised his eyes to heaven and said: "Oh, Jesus, I give myself to thee; thy will be done."

The chief justice then adjusted the noose and the deputy sheriff placed the black cap on Eshanks' head. During the ordeal he stood alone.

At ten minutes to 12 the trap was sprung, the drop being five feet. After the fall not a motion of the body was noticeable, only the twitching of the fingers.

KALAKAUA IS VERY SICK. Condition of the Hawaiian King Reported to Be Serious.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—The condition of King Kalakaua is better than that of Saturday. He is still confined to his room, and not allowed to see any one but his physicians. It will be some days before he will be allowed to receive any of the many persons who call at the Palace hotel to ascertain his condition.

It is authoritatively stated to-day that the condition of King Kalakaua is serious. He has been suffering from an aggravated case of Bright's disease of the kidneys, the result of high living. These physicians are now in attendance upon the king, and it is said that it will be some time before he will be well enough to return to his island kingdom, if at all.

AT THE POINT OF DEATH. At midnight King Kalakaua is lying at the point of death. Council General McKinley states that the king is likely to die at any moment. Rev. Dr. Church, of the Episcopal church, of which the king is a member, to-night administered the sacrament.

SUPREME COURT DECISION. Illegitimate Mormon Children Can Inherit Their Patrimony.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Justice Brown to-day rendered his first opinion as a member of the United States supreme court. One of them was in the case of George N. Cope, vs. Janet Cope and Thomas H. Cope, brought here on an appeal from the supreme court of the territory of Utah. The question involved was whether a son by polygamous marriage had the right of inheritance from his father, it being claimed illegitimate. The court holds that a son by polygamous marriage did have the right and reverses the judgment of the

territorial court. The court says the Edmund Tucker act declared legitimate all children of Mormon parents born within less than twelve months from its passage. The object, the court says, was to make these unfortunate children an especial object of care and to make their parents relinquish polygamy, by fixing a period after which their children should be illegitimate.

HONORS TO BANCROFT. Flags Ordered at Half-Mast for the Dead Historian.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The president has issued an order that the flags on all the executive departments of Washington and public buildings be lowered to half-mast until the body is interred.

The president has approved the act making an appropriation to enable the secretary of the interior to carry out the provisions of the act to provide a portion of the Sioux nation reservation in Dakota into separate reservations and secure the relinquishment of Indian title to the remainder.

A Municipal Decision. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 19.—An ordinance passed by the common council of this city, whereby over 20 square miles was added to the city, was declared null and void by the supreme court this morning. The court decides that inasmuch as the charter prescribed by charter it would be necessary to amend the charter to extend the limits.

THE OREGON PACIFIC.

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The Company Practically Wins the Case in the United States Circuit Court in Portland.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 19.—The case of Seal & Dean, contractors, vs. the Oregon Pacific Railroad Co., came to trial in the United States circuit court to-day, and after proceeding for some time the trial came to an abrupt and unexpected termination.

The plaintiffs introduced estimates furnished by the division engineer and plaintiff Seal brought evidence to show that these estimates were not correct. To this the defendant objected, because the engineer's estimate was to be final, unless it could be shown to have been fraud or gross negligence, which must be charged in the complaint, which has not been done in this case, and the court therefore sustained the objection and ruled the evidence out.

The defendant then asked for judgment of non-suit, which was denied. The court continued the case till to-morrow.

MORE FAILURES. The American National Bank Driven to the Wall.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 19.—The National Bank for Missouri took charge of the American National Bank in this city this morning. President Stimson in a public statement says the cause of the failure seems to have been an indefinite lack of confidence which pervaded the business world for the past few months. A rumor of non-suit, which had been spread three months ago that the bank was not in the best condition. A withdrawal of deposits followed immediately and the growth of unfavorable reports increased to an alarming extent, when the bank found itself obliged to negotiate a loan of \$80,000 in the East. It was compelled to give as collateral gilt edged securities. When these drains upon the bank's resources became generally known its confidence was impaired. Members of the clearing house could not agree upon any plan of assistance, and the bank examiner was notified by President Stimson. The liabilities are estimated at \$225,000; assets nominally \$3,500,000. Bankers do not anticipate any bad effects on other houses.

TOROKA, Kan., Jan. 19.—W. C. Cady, dry goods merchant, assigned this morning; liabilities, \$300,000; assets not known.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—A Montreal special says McLaughlin Bros. & Co., one of the largest wholesale dry goods houses in the Dominion, is in financial difficulties and will probably assign. Liabilities between \$700,000 and \$900,000.

A Contested Governorship. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 19.—Notice was served to-day on Governor Boyd that ex-Governor Thayer would apply to the supreme court for an injunction restraining him from acting as governor. The injunction will come up in court January 29th.

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SQUIRE IS VICTOR.

The Republican Caucus Selects Him for U. S. Senator.

A RESORT TO VIOLENCE.

An Exciting Scene at Olympia—A Battle of Fists Between Rival Factions—The Caucus.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 19.—A scene of great excitement and uproar took place in the lobby of the hotel Olympia this morning, and came near precipitating a battle without between the Calkins and Squire forces. During the day the Squire republicans circulated a call for a republican caucus, and by seven to eight had obtained 56 signatures, two-thirds of the republicans and one less than a majority of all the members of the legislature. When the Calkins' people heard of the success of the call they complained that they had not been invited to attend and became very angry. It was then decided to read the call from the staircase of the hotel and to invite all republican members to participate. The call was read by Representative Meany and then a loud call was made to read the names. He started to do so, but was interrupted by howls, cheers and jeers on the part of Calkins' supporters. He persisted, however, and then Nelson Bennett, Thos. Ewing, W. H. Doolittle and Nicholas Owings started up the staircase, their evident purpose being to capture the paper, Meany was surrounded by his friends and a fierce struggle ensued, in which the paper was torn in two. The conflict was in full view of the crowd and an immense uproar ensued. Meany escaped with his paper, and then the rival factions struggled on the stairs calling forth the cheers from the crowd. No one was hurt. Pandemonium reigned for about fifteen minutes.

The legislature met to-day and adjourned after the passage of resolutions on the death of Representative Davis.

At a caucus of republicans to-night Senator Squire was nominated for U. S. senator.

Fifty-six republican members signed the call for a caucus and agreed to abide by its choice. This gives Squire a majority of one, the legislature being now composed of only 111 members since the death of Representative Davis's of Kittitas.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS. The Blue and the Gray Dine and Wine Together.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The first annual dinner of the confederate veteran's camp of New York to-night brought together many prominent men from all parts of the Union. The camp is said to be the first ex-confederate organization north of the Potomac. Miss Winnie Davis was an honored guest. The mention of the name of General Grant in different speeches brought forth cheer after cheer. His name was spoken of with that of Lee, Sherman, and Young pledged the energy of every member of the camp to complete the monument of General Grant. His memory was drunk in silence, all standing.

A BIG SCHEME. To Construct a Tunnel Between New York City and Brooklyn.

ALBANY, Jan. 19.—A company with \$3,000,000 capital incorporated to-day to construct a tunnel between New York City and Brooklyn. Austin Corbin heads the directory, and among others on it is Secretary of the Navy Tracy. Among the subscribers are Levi P. Morton and C. P. Huntington.

To Discharge the Receiver. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—A meeting of the first mortgage bondholders of the Oregon Improvement company was held to-day, about 20 bondholders being present. F. B. O'Leary said arrangements have been perfected for the discharge of the receiver, the payment of the floating debt and back interest and to foreman the roads into the stockholders.

Hill for U. S. Senator. ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—The democrats have nominated Governor Hill for United States senator.

The republicans nominated Senator Evans. The democrats have exactly enough members to elect.

The Markets. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Wheat: Shipping \$1.35@1.36 1/4 percent; milling \$1.40.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 19.—Wheat, closed, unchanged.

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