

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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NOTES.

The inter-state commerce law has already accomplished some good. It is stated that the number of office seekers has fallen off from 50 to 75 per cent. Being unable to obtain passes on the strength of the official prestige they expect to acquire they are forced to stay at home.

In speaking of the Oregon swamp land bidders, Commissioner Sparks said, a few days ago, that the department is using strenuous efforts to break up the "robber ring" and he added, "I think too we shall have some of them in the harness before long." Sparks is a terror to evil doers.

It makes one's head swim to think of the various tickets that will be poked in his face during the next presidential campaign. Let's see, we will have a Republican ticket, a Democratic ticket, Prohibitionist, Knights of Labor, Greenback, Belva Lockwood, and perhaps the Chicago Anarchists will put up a man. There will certainly be plenty to select from.—Weston Ledger.

It is said that President Phillips, of the Snake River Co. last fall shipped a few sacks of the sand from one of the inexhaustible bars at Darsey's ferry on the Snake river to the Omaha Smelting company to try its process for extracting the gold and that the machine they have accomplished the purpose. If this be true the Snake river bars and the Oregon coast sands will be worth more money than the mountain mines.

The late Henry Ward Beecher once said that twenty millions of dollars in a village does not make that village rich if it is all owned by two men; but if that amount is spread evenly all over the village then it is different. Money in the hands of one or two men is like a dunghill in a barnyard. So long as it lies in a mass it does no good, but if it is only spread evenly on the land how everything would grow. Money is like snow. If it is blown into drifts it blocks up the highway and nobody can travel, but if it lies evenly distributed over all the ground it facilitates every man's travel. Wealth is good if diffused but not if it is hoarded.

The lease the Union Pacific of the O. R. & N. Company's lines has been consummated. The Wall Street Daily Indicator of the 25th says: "We are enabled to announce at last that the much vexed question relative to the control of the great railroad enterprises of the extreme northwest has been virtually settled. The Union Pacific through the action of its directors Saturday, will secure control of the Oregon Navigation and Oregon Transcontinental companies, also of the Northern Pacific. President Adams will be at the office of the Oregon Transcontinental Company in this city to-day, and both he and President Smith will sign the Oregon Transcontinental lease. Then the entire matter will be completed. Under the lease the Oregon Navigation secures a guaranty from the Union Pacific of 6 per cent on its entire capital. A guaranty which the Union Pacific is able to carry out. The lease is one of the most important railroad transactions which has occurred in a very long time. It is impossible to estimate the advantages which will result to properties interested. It is a large scheme in embryo. The result will be of a most important character."

PROHIBITION.

The following is the proposed prohibitory amendment to the constitution of the state of Oregon, which the people will vote for or against on the 8th of November, next.

Article XIX Section 2. The manufacture, sale or giving away, or the offering to give away, or the keeping for sale any spirituous, vinous, malt, distilled, fermented, or any intoxicating liquors, whatever, is prohibited in this state, except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes.

Sec. 2. The legislative assembly shall provide by law in what manner, by whom, and at what place such liquors, or any of them shall be manufactured or sold or kept for sale for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes.

Sec. 3. This amendment shall take effect and be in full force six months from the date of its ratification by the electors.

Sec. 4. The legislative assembly shall without delay, pass all necessary laws with sufficient penalties necessary to enforce this amendment.

There can be no doubt that the general sentiment among the producing and respectable classes of the coun-

try is favorable to prohibition, and the amendment will probably pass. If it fails it will be on account of opposition by the floating population of the larger cities. A prohibitory law, if it could be enacted in such a manner as to really prohibit the sale and use of intoxicating liquors would be an inestimable boon to humanity, but the fact remains that wherever it has been tried it has generally proved a failure. It is said that in Kansas there is a drug store near every hotel. A guest who is athirst quickly learns to provide himself with a physician's prescription; he can buy a pint or a quart and it in the hotel if he chooses. Prescriptions in blank with a physician's name at the bottom, are furnished by the book, and are carried with the regularity of a railroad communication ticket. The same "rum" drug store substitute for the saloon flourishes in New England where prohibition laws exist. If the amendment should pass in Oregon it will remain entirely with the Legislative Assembly to decide whether it shall be a failure or not. If they pass such a law as will prevent the liquor traffic from being transferred from the saloons to the drug stores, by placing druggists, physicians, and all those having the handling of it under oath and heavy bonds, and allow certain inducements to informers, it may have the desired effect. Otherwise it will not.

Washington Letter.

From our regular correspondent. April 15, 1887.

Public attention is now concentrating upon the national drill which is to take place in this city next month. The color line crisis has been safely passed, the movement towards the re-organization of the local militia, putting the companies in a position to compete for the prizes, goes briskly forward, the securing of hotel accommodations points to the fact that the great assemblage of the Republic's militia, and of all who delight in the military, will soon be here. Washington, fresh and charming in her new spring suit of green, will gladly welcome the thousands of visitors who will flock to her reception in May, and, aside from all interest in the drill it is worth a trip of any distance to see the most beautiful city of America in her best attire.

The warm bright sunshine of Easter Monday seemed warmer and brighter in the neighborhood of the White House than anywhere else in the city. Thousands of children, without regard to race, color, or previous condition, thronged the grounds of the chief magistrate for the purpose of rolling and "picking" eggs. It is an annual privilege custom that has long accorded the youth of the district. They have the entire freedom of the grounds on Easter Monday. They take possession early in the morning, bring their lunches and their nurses, roll themselves over the green sward when they are tired of rolling eggs, and never desert the sport until night-fall. One feature of the egg festival was its effect upon the afternoon reception to the public at the White House. Many of the festive little ones made free to enter and swelled the attendance to about 1500 people. One-fifth of that number is a pretty good crowd on these tri-weekly occasions. The children were:

English, Irish, French and Spanish, German, Italian, Danish and Danish.

At first the president attempted to give each one a greeting with some special remark, but this generous intention was overcome in a few minutes and ere long he was trying to shake hands with three of them at a time. There were humble white folks and aristocratic black folks, and they laid their hands in the executive palm with equal confidence. Occasionally a tow-headed boy, soiled and hot from his morning's sport would march up solemnly, put his dirty, egg-smearing fingers in the president's hand, and then slink off as though he had done something he was ashamed of.

Probably the most absurd of all the complaints made against civil service reform is the charge that it will lead to the establishment of an office-holding aristocracy. Any one who examines the lists of thousand dollar secretaries of senators, of committee clerks attached to both houses of congress, of unclassified officers in the departments here in Washington, and of the occupants of the most comfortable berths in the custom houses, federal courts, the postal service, internal revenue and pension offices all over the country, will be astonished at the number of sons, brothers cousins, nephews, sisters, nieces and aunts who are drawing incomes from the public treasury. Only last week a senator's son was appointed to be chief of division in one of the Washington departments, and another senator's son received a clerical position under the inter-state-commerce commission. This is not saying that the fact of one citizen's relationship to another ought to operate as a bar to his official aspiration. But all of these above men-

tioned places are beyond the reach of the civil-service rules. It would be scarcely possible for a more offensive form of aristocracy to obtain than this, which is under the old system of patronage. The new rules restrict admission to the civil service to persons of approved education and intelligence extend to rich and poor, weak and powerful alike, and give the government clerk after his installation a sense of security so long as he does his work well and behaves himself in other respects.

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Only a few cans of the prize Sewing Machine baking powder left at Levy's. Try your chance, you will probably draw the machine.

BORN.

LOWELL.—In this city, April 28th, 1887, to the wife of James Lowell, a daughter. James is taller, now.

Treasurer's Notice.

All county warrants presented and not paid, prior to July 1st., 1883, will be redeemed to that date. Interest ceases April, 30th, 1887.

E. C. BRAINARD, Treasurer Union County, Or.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, April 22, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on June 10th, 1887, viz: WILLIAM SMITH, D. S. No. 954, for the S¹/₂ NE¹/₄ and S¹/₂ SE¹/₄ Sec 13 Tp 8 N R 4 E W. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Luther Loyd, Jacob Diak, J. B. Wheelock, and John Erickson, all of Pine Valley, Union county, Oregon. HENRY RINEHART, Register.

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Scythes	50c.
Snaths	87 1/2c.
Brooms	33 1/2c.
Powder	50c.
Axes	\$1.00.
Hammers	50c.
Wash Boards	25c.
Eureka Wringers	\$2.50.
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Towel Racks	25c.
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NOTICE TO STOCKMEN.

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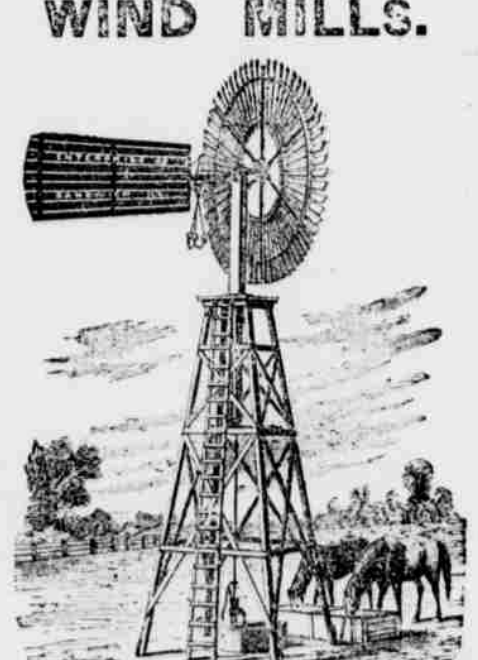
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Administrator's Notice of Appointment.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Culver, deceased. To all persons having claims against the above entitled estate: You and each of you are hereby notified that the said residue has been by the County court of Union county, Oregon, duly appointed a administrator of said estate. You are therefore hereby required to present your said claims with proper vouchers, within six months from the first publication of this notice, at the office of Baker, Shelton & Baker, in Union, Oregon. All claims not presented within said time will be postponed and deferred until the claims are presented within a full time as aforesaid. D. L. CARROLL, Administrator.

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