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WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Adjournment of Congress Senator McBride's Recognized Ability by His Associates--Congressman Ellis Retires at the End of a Successful Career--Congressman Tongue's Ability.

(Special Correspondence to the Gazette.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 15.—The adjournment of congress has quieted the political atmosphere a little, but not entirely. The work of congress was very swift towards the last. It required very remarkable qualities for any man to succeed in carrying through measures that were not in perfect shape and form. That Senator McBride did so was considered by his brother senators and all congressmen as proof that he possessed good pluck and wonderful finesse. It is very satisfactory to me, as an Oregonian, to be able to say that our two senators were heartily in sympathy in accomplishment of all that was possible for our state. Senator Simon only needs time and opportunity to make himself respected and popular. The senate of the United States, as Senator McBride says, is a place where men are appreciated for what they are capable of performing and for their ability and true qualities. The great men of the senate—as Hoar and Hale and others—who rise above mere policy, are noted for performing their duty as their conscience shall dictate. They may be erring in popular estimation, but no man dare couple their names with any suggestion of personal motives or outside pressure. They are men in the broadest sense of the word. It is comfortable to believe that Oregon has been represented, in the past, by men who command the respect of the world. Differing from some of them in material degree, it has been cause of congratulation that our delegations have been men who had the respect of their colleagues and had influence; more influence, often, than was shown by representatives of older states.

The close of the 55th congress will excuse my reference to the Oregon actors in that congress. Senator McBride has not posed as an orator, but has well expressed himself when it has been necessary. His success in forwarding the interests of our state is apparent to any unprejudiced onlooker. His achievements at the close of the session will remain a feature of Oregon history. To have made friends and command their respect and support, because they had confidence in his sincerity and good judgment—that was a triumph to be proud of. To be able to command the approval of the entire senate, that the rules could be suspended by unanimous consent—when an important appropriation was pending—that was sure proof that our senator had the friendship of his colleagues. It is more important for our state that its delegation shall be able to accomplish results than that they shall figure in forensic displays.

Mr. Ellis retires from congress with the respect and good will of all. To be plain about it, my mind was in some measure prejudiced against him when I came here, a year or so ago. He had been disparaged so by leading influences that one would naturally believe his accusers. On becoming acquainted with affairs here it needed little time to discover that Mr. Ellis was generally respected and was successful in his work for Oregon. His successor will be fortunate if he holds so greatly the respect and regard of the next congress. The Moody name has made itself felt and known in Oregon for several decades. The son has the advantage of the father's good fame, as well as the record of his own making. Mr. Tongue has ability that only needs the opportunity for development, that the second term

can afford, to be more and more useful to Oregon. Any one who supposes that a congressional career is only a May-time picnic, can be relieved of that impression by becoming an onlooker here at the national city for a single term. Be it senator or congressman, the duty has become a fearful burden. It seems day and night of toil and weariness to properly discharge the duty of every recurring hour. Every mail brings its quota of toil added to toil. The demands are incessant and continuous. The average member of society considers his congressman able to accomplish anything human conceit can conceive of. The fact is, that there are thousands and tens of thousands who wait for something to turn up in their favor. Just at present there are many expecting employment in the work of the new census. A man of prominence told me yesterday that there were probably 20,000 persons who were competent and had filled government positions who were waiting in this city hoping to receive some opportunity. This is a time when hope deferred will make many hearts sick.

The last few days we have tones of spring as successor to the fearful blizzards that tormented the earlier days of March. The winter has been fearful; there have been, one after another, sad storms and fearful blizzards. I have a picture of my hotel home, that shows snow piled up over six feet high where there was a path cut from the door to the sidewalk. But there needs only a few days of the spring time to call out the buds from their hiding places; to turn the sod to emerald and make the flowers consider the propriety of bursting into bloom. Soon Washington will be all aglow with daylight and full of the beauty that nature can spread abroad. But I will leave that time until it comes.

It is to be regretted that the war has left so much of the jealousy and meanness of human nature lying about. It crops out in army and navy affairs and in all the walks of public life. One matter that the public takes interest in is that General Wheeler is not to be recognized in the reorganization of the army. There is no more beautiful character in our recent history than "Old Joe Wheeler." He is wonderfully lovable; something not supposed to be a requisite in military renown. The old man (he was born nine years after I was) seems to be one of the paladins of the nineteenth century. He ought to be pictured, lance in hand, charging on the dragon. There was so much jealousy on the part of army circles that old Joe has been left to fill his congressional career. It would have been a most gracious and tasteful tribute to the harmony and unity of the nation to have placed this hero—for Joe Wheeler is one of time's heroes—where he desired to be. S. A. CLARKE.

QUARANTINE AGAINST SCABBY SHEEP.

The Unstilled County Court Declares a Certain District to be Infected. East Oregonian. A petition having been presented to the county court, by T. B. Wells and twenty-eight others, showing that the southern part of the state of Washington, particularly that part bordering on the line separating Oregon and Washington, and extending between a point where the said line intersects the Columbia river on the north and a point where the line intersects the dividing line between Union and Unstilled counties on the south, is an infected district, and that sheep in that district are in such condition as is likely to convey disease from that portion of the state of Washington into Oregon. This state of affairs existing, the county court orders and adjudge that all persons, companies or corporations are prohibited from importing, driving or in any manner bringing any sheep from that locality into Oregon, and a stock quarantine is declared to exist against that portion of Washington, to prevent any sheep from being brought into Unstilled county until such sheep have been inspected and passed upon by the stock inspector of Unstilled, as the law provides. This order is not to apply to sheep being brought into and through the state by the railroads. The quarantine is to hold for not less than 60 days, and until such time that the sheep affected shall be treated for the scab, under the directions of the sheep inspector.

FROM MANILA.

Another Letter From the Philippine Soldier Boys. Miss Allie Miller, daughter of B. F. Miller, the Heppner-Canyon City stage route proprietor, kindly furnishes the Gazette with interesting extracts from a letter received from her favorite uncle, Clyde Stewart, who is one of the volunteer boys, who is now doubtless in active warfare, written under date of December 28th: "I wrote to you a long, long time ago. Yes, before we left San Francisco, and sent you one of my pictures; but I have never received an answer, so I will write to let you know that I am now in far away Manila, sick with the malarial fever for four weeks—ever since we arrived here. Just think of it, 10,000 miles from home and sick! But I must take it like a man. I am not a bit homesick now, but I was awfully so when I had those pictures taken. Just look at that photo and you will see the sickest homesick boy you ever saw. Well, Allie, I am roasting here, while you, at this time, I suppose, are almost freezing to death going to school wrapped in your furs or heavy woolen clothing; and, oh, my, how I wish I was home now skating, sleigh-riding and coasting. If I do not get better in a week I am going to apply for my discharge. I can never stand this hot, damp climate. I will have the malaria as long as I am here. We may have a battle with the insurgents at almost any time over disputed territory. We came very near having one the 20th of this month over a bridge. The insurgent outposts had possession of the bridge, but on the night of the 19th it rained hard and they left the bridge and went back into shelter for the night, but on returning the next morning found the United States outposts in possession of the bridge. Aguinaldo ordered that the Americans give up the bridge by 9 o'clock the 20th, but the Americans refused and at the same time drew up the reserve guard for action and the insurgents drew up their forces and stood with their guns at their shoulders ready to fire at the command. When they saw the First California, First Washington and the Fourth cavalry drawing up at almost a double quick time, they lowered their guns and retreated, leaving the bridge in the possession of the United States boys. They have found out that the United States soldiers do not run from rain or water or rain of lead, and that when we take possession of a place we usually hold it."

MOUNTAIN OF COPPER. Portlanders Think They Have Made a Great Discovery. Evening Telegram. There promises to be a decided copper-mining boom in Southwestern Alaska before the season is very far advanced. A good many Portlanders are interested. The latest local people to file articles of incorporation are C. H. Prescott, W. W. Oatild and F. M. Batebeler. The capital stock is placed at \$100,000. The mine is located on Prince of Wales island, on Helm inlet. Supplies, tools and machinery have already been shipped to further develop the property. "We have a whole mountain of copper," said Mr. Batebeler, "that rises 2,500 feet above sea level. It carries some gold and silver. I think we shall have the most natural mine in the world. Immense ledges are in full view, and that needs be done is to knock the ore down. Steamers can almost land alongside, and the harbor is landlocked." That whole island is said to be streaked with copper. D. Solis Cohen and other Portlanders have located, and Marcus Daly has two experts examining property around there. Mr. Batebeler says it would surprise one to know the number of persons quietly acquiring good copper properties in Southwestern Alaska, while the main mob are rushing past in quest of gold. Owing to the vast size of the ledges, their richness and easy transportation facilities, that section is destined, it is believed, to become the greatest copper-producing region of the world. The ore is ready at hand and only needs capital to develop it.

Sherman Reported Dead.

New York, March 21.—A special from Caimanera, Cuba, to the Evening Telegram, reports the death of John Sherman on board the American line steamer Paris. It was realized last evening by those in attendance upon Mr. Sherman that the end was near. The hot weather of the past two days had proved exceedingly wearing on the patient, and doubtless hastened the end, although from the time he was stricken it was realized that he would not recover. The Paris sailed from Kingston at 6 o'clock last evening with Mr. Sherman and party on board, for Santiago de Cuba, where the patient was to have been transferred to the cruiser Chicago, and carried to the United States. It is probable that his body will be brought home on the Chicago.

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GOVERNMENT FOR ALASKA.

United States Senator Joseph Simon Talks to a Reporter. East Oregonian. United States Senator Simon, who passed through Pendleton last Saturday from his labors at the United States capitol, is hopeful of material reforms in the administrative affairs of Alaska, by reason of the legislation of the last session. Alaska is to have a new criminal code, and a law sanctioning the license system in the regulation of the liquor traffic. Much other legislation in behalf of the northern territory was attempted, but failed. "I am looking forward to some salutary effects from the legislation effected in behalf of Alaska," said Senator Simon to a Portland Telegram reporter. "Alaska's criminal laws have long been defective and entirely inadequate to the needs of the territory. The code given the territory by the bill passed is patterned after the Oregon code, and the administration of its laws under this code should be much more effective. "Another provision made for the territory that is looked upon with satisfaction is that relative to the licensing of the liquor traffic. With good license laws there is no question but that the traffic will be better regulated and more effectively restricted, while at the same time some revenue will be derived from the traffic for the support of the government. The corruption with which the administrative affairs of Alaska for some years have been tainted can in large measure be traced directly to the difficulty in handling the liquor traffic under the prohibitory laws. The laws have been openly and shamefully violated, even under the most stringent surveillance of the officials. This abuse the new law should and doubtless will abate. "In regard to the Anglo-American commission appointed to arbitrate differences and uncertainties that may exist in reference to boundary line disputes and other matters, I am not inclined to look for any results. In my opinion, nothing will come of their labors. "An effort was made to secure a reduction in the tariff on lumber and coal. To this, in behalf of Oregon, I filed a vigorous protest. The representatives of the other coast states, similarly interested, took the same stand, and I do not think now that any such tariff reductions as were contemplated will ever be made. "Senator Simon is in the best of health, and, although tired out a little from hard work, has suffered no injurious effects from his first experience in the legislative halls of the nation. He will devote the summer vacation of congress to the practice of law.

STATE SCHOOL FUNDS.

Board's Rules Governing the Handling of This Money. The last legislature passed a law reducing the rate of interest to borrowers of the state school funds, to apply to all new or renewed loans. The board has adopted the following rules to govern the loaning of the state money and intending borrowers will do well to look them over before making application: "First—No application for a loan will be considered for less than \$250, nor for a greater sum than \$5,000, and in no case for a greater sum than one-third of the cash value of the security offered. "Second—That no attorney of the board shall charge any fee for the examination of the title to land offered as security for such loans shall be a reasonable fee for such service, and the amount agreed on must be stated in the certificate. "Fourth—Abstract of title must be furnished by the applicant, and the same shall be kept on file in the office of the attorney for the board, and by him turned over to his successor. "Fifth—Whenever default is made in the payment of the taxes properly chargeable to any of the securities held by the proper officers for collection, as the law directs, it shall be the duty of the clerk of this board, upon the ascertainment of the amount, to pay the same and charge it to the mortgagor, whereupon foreclosure proceedings shall be instituted forthwith."

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and now I am well again. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at E. J. Slocum's drug store.