

TENURE of office is a subject of interest to many Republican office holders at this juncture.

Gov. Moody ought to have no difficulty in appointing a Senator. He is in good practice in the appointing business. Perhaps he merely appoints so many notaries public "to keep his hand in."

It is pleasing to note that the Supreme Court of the State has sustained the lower court in the Portland license cases. The saloon men who have been trying to evade the law and defraud the city have been beaten.

It is claimed for Cleveland that he is a first-class listener. His capacity in that direction will probably be taxed to the utmost before the average office seeker understands what is meant by civil service reform.

The Illinois Legislature has not yet elected a Senator. The Oregon Legislature was limited to forty days, but in Illinois the sessions are not limited. So the case is not hopeless. The Illinois legislators may yet elect. Give them plenty of time. Forty days is not enough.

SUNSET CO.'S new book, "Three Decades of Federal Legislation," is almost ready for publication. Sunset's intimate knowledge of national affairs, combined with his inexhaustible fund of humor, ought to make his book in the highest degree edifying and entertaining.

CALIFORNIA farmers are growing somewhat restive under the continuance of dry weather. The crops in that State depend largely upon the spring rains. So far the season has been dry and rain is needed badly to insure good yields. All the cereals will suffer if the needed moisture is not speedily forthcoming.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND declined the offer of the railroads to transport him free to Washington and paid for his train. This was very commendable. The salary which the people pay their president is sufficient to make him independent. They prefer that he shall be indebted to them rather than to the railroads.

ENGLAND and Russia are trying to outdo each other in the matter of polite messages and assurances of good will. At the same time each of them seems to be preparing for a fight. Afghanistan, which seems to be the key to India, is the bone of contention. Both want it. Neither of them has any legal or moral right to it. If England is to retain India, Russia must not possess Afghanistan. If Russia is to secure India, England must not gain Afghanistan. Thus it stands.

BRAZEN Ben Butler is in trouble. In his accounts as treasurer of the National Soldiers' Home there is apparently a magnificent deficit. It amounts to several hundred thousand dollars. Instead of attempting to explain the matter, he merely resists the imputed charge with his usual insolence. Ben cannot bear to be bothered about such big deficits. There was a pretty large sized deficit in his vote for President which is about the only one that worries him. Public office and public plunder seem to be synonymous terms with Butler. "Let no guilty man escape."

THE Chicago Inter-Ocean, an intensely Republican paper, says: "There is not one word in President Cleveland's inaugural that any Republican, however ardent in party feeling, can positively condemn." The Inter-Ocean is probably mistaken, and all it has to do to be convinced of its error is to read its Republican exchanges. The Inter-Ocean is a good, fair paper but has too exalted an opinion of some Republicans. There is no Democratic saying or action but what can and will be condemned by a certain class of partisan Republicans. They are bitterly condemning Cleveland's inaugural.

It has been truthfully said that there is no great political significance in Cleveland's inaugural. It is a well written document, devoted to generalities which should receive the assent of all good citizens. No particular line of political policy is there marked out. There was no occasion for such a procedure. It is a concise and mainly statement of national principles such as would naturally be expected from one who intends to be the President of the whole people and not of any particular party. When the time comes for outlining the policy of the administration it will probably be done, and done in such a way as to leave no doubt as to what that policy shall be.

THE HOULT RAILROAD LAW.

Be it enacted by the Legislative assembly of the state of Oregon: SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for a person, or persons, engaged alone or associated with others in the transportation of property by railroad in the state of Oregon, to charge or to receive from any person or persons any greater or less rate or amount freight compensation or reward than is by him or them charged to or received from any other person or persons for like and contemporaneous service, in carrying, receiving, delivering, storing, or handling the same. All charges for such service shall be reasonable. Provided, That the rate shall not exceed the rates charged on the first day of January, 1885; and any person or persons, having purchased a ticket for passage on any railroad or railroads in this state, or paid the required fare, shall receive the same treatment, and be afforded equal facilities and accommodations as are furnished all other persons holding a ticket of the same class, without discrimination.

But nothing in this act shall be construed to deny to railroads the right to provide separate accommodations for passengers, as they may deem best for public comfort and safety; Provided, That no discrimination is made on account of race, or color, and the furnishing of separate accommodations with equal facilities and equal comforts, at the same charges, shall not be considered a discrimination, nor shall any railroad company or its officers charge or receive from any person, who is to be conveyed over any railroad or railroads in this state, any sum exceeding four cents per mile for the distance to be traveled by such person, and all persons engaged as aforesaid, shall furnish without discrimination, the same facilities for carrying, receiving, delivering, storage and handling all property of like character carried by him or them, and shall perform with equal expedition the same kind of services connected with contemporaneous transportation thereof, as aforesaid. No break, stoppage or interruption, nor any contract, agreement or understanding shall be made to prevent the carriage of any property, from being treated as one continuous carriage, in the meaning of this act from the place of shipment to the place of destination, unless such stoppage, interruption, contract, agreement or understanding was made in good faith for some practical and necessary purpose, without any intent to avoid or interrupt such continuous carriage, or to evade any of the provisions of this act unless prevented by unavoidable accident.

Sec. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons engaged in the transportation of property, as aforesaid, directly or indirectly, to allow any rebate, drawback, or other advantage, in any form, upon shipments made or services rendered as aforesaid, by him or them, Provided, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to goods intended in good faith to be shipped to points beyond the limits of this state. Provided, That this discrimination shall be considered only as between persons when relating to similar grades of freight.

Sec. 3. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons engaged in the carriage, receiving, storage or handling of property as mentioned in the first section of this act, enter into any combination, contract or agreement, by change of schedule, carriage in different cars, or by any other means with intent to prevent carriage of such property from being continuous from the place of shipment to the place of destination whether carried on one or several railroads in this state; and it shall be unlawful for any person or persons carrying property as aforesaid, to enter into any contract, agreement, or combination for pooling freight or to pool freights of different and competing railroads or to divide between them the aggregate or net proceeds of the earnings of such railroads or any portion of them.

Sec. 4. That it shall be unlawful for any person engaged in the transportation of property as prescribed in the first section of this act to charge or receive any greater compensation for a similar amount or kind of property for carrying, receiving, storing, forwarding, or handling the same for a shorter time than for a longer distance in the same direction.

Sec. 5. That all persons engaged in the carrying of property as provided in the first section of this act, shall adopt and keep posted up schedules which shall plainly state: 1. The different kinds and classes of property to be carried. 2. The different places between which such property shall be carried. 3. The rates of freight and prices of carriage between such places and for all service connected with receiving, delivering, loading, unloading, storing or handling the same whether such property be carried wholly on one railroad or partly on several railroads, and whether such services are performed or compensation paid or received by or to one person alone or in connection with another or other persons. The railroad or lines of a corporation shall include all roads or lines in use by such corporation, whether owned or operated by it under contract, agreement or lease with any other corporation. The schedules required in this section of this act shall be prepared and posted up by such person or persons on the first Monday in July and the first Monday in January of each year, and shall not be changed during the six months to which they apply so as to charge a greater rate of freight

than that in such schedule. Sec. 6. That each and all provisions of this act shall apply to all property, and the receiving, delivering, loading, unloading, handling, storing and carriage of the same on one actual or substantial carriage, or as a part of such continuous carriage, as provided for in the first section of this act, and compensation therefor, whether such property be carried wholly on one railroad or partly on several roads or whether by one line or partly by several lines and whether such services are performed or compensation paid or received by or to one person alone or in connection with another or other persons.

Sec. 7. That each and every act, matter or thing in this act declared to be unlawful is hereby prohibited and in case any person or persons as aforesaid, shall do, suffer or permit to be done any act, matter or thing in this act prohibited or forbidden, or shall omit to do any act, matter or thing in this act required to be done, or shall be guilty of any violation of the provisions of this act, such person or persons shall forfeit and pay to the person or persons who may sustain damage thereby, a sum equal to three times the amount of damage so sustained, to be recovered by the person or persons so damaged, by suit in any proper court of competent jurisdiction; where the person or persons causing such damage can be found or may have an agent, office or place of business; and if the court before which any such action is tried, shall be of the opinion that the violation of law was willful, it shall make allowance by the way of additional costs to the party injured, a sufficient sum to cover all his counsel and attorney's fees.

Sec. 8. That any director or officer of any corporation or company acting or engaged as aforesaid, or any receiver, trustee or person aforesaid, or of one of them alone, or with any other corporation, company, person or party, who shall willfully do or cause or willfully suffer or permit to be done, any act, matter or thing in this act prohibited or forbidden, or who shall omit or fail to do any act, matter or thing in this act required to be done, or cause or willfully suffer or permit any act, matter or thing so directed or required by this act to be done, shall be guilty of an infraction of this act, or aid or abet therein, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof be fined not less than one thousand dollars.

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STATE NEWS.

Southern Oregon farmers are beginning to cultivate rice.

Portland expects to spend \$150,000 for educational purposes during 1885.

The United States Electric Light Company has a contract to light the city of Portland for a year for \$16,000.

Gideon A. Schofield, a carpenter aged 60 years, was run over and killed by a locomotive in East Portland Wednesday afternoon.

From the Willamette valley come complaints about counterfeit silver coin. The four-bit pieces are said to be the most largely imitated.

While in the Legislature the Howland, of Lane, was taken with the measles. His wife went to Salem to nurse him. He recovered, but she contracted the disease and died last Saturday.

About fifty employees of the O. & N. Co. The Dalles were discharged last Monday evening. It is not known whether this is permanent, or whether they were simply laid off for a few days.

One firm in Portland last year sold 1,300,000 pounds of wool to State manufacturers and 1,500,000 pounds for the East in its market. It is expected the clip this season will reach 8,000,000 pounds.

Prof. N. P. Blaine, a brother of the celebrated Jim of Maine, has been employed to teach in one of the public schools of Salem. The queer part of the business was that a Prof. Cleveland resigned the position to which Blaine was elected.

During February foreign exports across the Columbia bar aggregated 16 cargoes, comprising 619,735 bushels wheat, worth \$475,230; 38,057 barrels of flour, worth \$152,000; 11,890 cases salmon, worth \$59,950; and 538 M lumber, worth \$59,873—total, \$747,143.

The Legislature designated that the following shall be legal holidays: Every Sunday, the first day of January, 23d of February, 30th of May, 4th of July, 25th of December, any day on which an election is held throughout the State, and every day appointed by the president or governor as a day of public thanksgiving, fast or holiday.

Baker county can boast—if it's any credit—of having the toughest town on the coast, viz. Huntington. An old resident of the county recently had some business there, and while in town was induced to bet on some confidence game; it cost him \$50. A few days after a Chinese "boss" was "held up" for \$860. Such occurrences there are common.

Governor Moody is now wrestling, officially, with petitions from the citizens of the newly created counties of Gilliam and Merrow, who are not only willing but are apparently anxious to sacrifice themselves upon the altar of their country and faithfully discharge the duties of the offices they respectively hanker after. The aspirants are as usual much more numerous than are the offices to be filled, and a selection becomes necessary.

George Collins, superintendent of the penitentiary, has begun the manufacture of the brick to build a wall around the prison buildings and yards. The convicts will make the brick, while the best brickmasons will be employed to build the wall outside. This with the large number of business houses of brick that will be built in Salem this summer insures plenty of work for masons and carpenters, who are happy over the outlook.

A bill which has passed and been signed by the governor to prevent carrying concealed weapons, prohibits anyone outside of an officer of the law to carry a dirk, slungshot, dagger, pistol, knife, or any instrument by use of which bodily injury may be done. It provides that if anyone disobeys the provisions of the act, that they be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$200, or imprisoned in the county jail not less than five nor more than 100 days. Justices of the peace have jurisdiction over such cases.

Senate bill No. 37, entitled "An act securing liens for mechanics, laborers, material men and others, and prescribing the manner of their enforcement," was passed by the Legislature. The act provides that not only the contractors engaged in the construction of buildings and improvements, but the owners of the land on which such buildings or improvements are being erected are made responsible for the payment of the mechanics' wages, and said wages shall be a lawful lien upon such land.

The following is the full text of House Bill No. 102, entitled "An Act to Make Valid Certain Contracts," which is now a law of the State: SECTION 1. That all contracts made and entered into in this State by and between borrower and lender, debtor and creditor, or mortgagor and mortgagee, on which the rate of interest is eight per cent. or under, whereby one party shall agree to pay the taxes on the debt, credit or mortgage existing or entered into between such parties, be and the same are hereby declared legal and valid and shall not be deemed or taken to be usurious.

Sec. 2. All contracts entered into under section one of this act may be enforced by the parties thereto in the courts of this State; provided, that in making the assessment of credits, loans or mortgages, the same shall be assessed to the holder thereof as now provided by law.

Sec. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

This act was approved by the governor Feb. 25, 1885.

Major W. H. Wilson, architect and civil engineer of Dallas, Texas, has left for the South in response, it is said, to a formal proposition for his services in fortification engineering under El Mahdi.

General Hazen is to be court-martialed on charges of conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline, in having officially and publicly criticized the Secretary of War for not following his recommendation to send an expedition to the relief of Lieutenant Greeley in September, 1883.

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