

THE ENTERPRISE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1882.

The public are greatly exercised over the wholesale abuse of the pardoning power by Gov. Thayer. Under the constitution, he can do just as he pleases, the only tribunal before which he can be brought, being public opinion. This state of affairs ought to be remedied. Amend the constitution so that it should be necessary to obtain the consent of the judge who presided, the prosecuting attorney, and, say a majority of the jury who convicted, before the prisoner should be pardoned. The only excuse for pardon should be the wrongful conviction of an innocent man. No judge, attorney or jurymen, would object to undoing the wrong he had innocently committed. Let our coming legislators ponder over this. The grist of prisoners to be turned out before July, is understood to be a large one. Old man Lynch will have to come to the rescue of law-abiding citizens.

A great improvement in the assessment law could be made by electing precinct or school district assessors, the county court, or the board as at present constituted, the board of equalization for the county, and a state board of equalization, as an arbitrator between the different counties of the state. This would do much towards making every county pay its full share of state taxes. The assessment of Portland, where the riches of the state are concentrated, is a farce. If any one wishes to satisfy himself on this point, let him respect the assessment roll, and then the recent transfers of property there.

Mr. C. P. Church, in an able and exhaustive article in the Oregonian of yesterday, completely refutes the statements that have gained almost world-wide credence, that the expenses of the Columbia river are extortionately high. The only exceptions are those referring to pilotage and towage, regarding which he says: "It is the studied determination of the mercantile community, to gain from our state legislature a reduction in the rates which the law now prescribes. When the legislature next convenes, that body will be apprized of the true state of affairs, and an organized effort will be made to reduce pilot charges at least one-half."

If we are not sufficiently advanced in the march of civilization to work under a common sense road law, instead of the present one, we would like to see amendments made to it, that would do much towards alleviating some of the existing difficulties. Insist that no public road should have a grade of more than one foot in ten. Fine every supervisor that puts public work on any road that does not come up to the standard. Give the county court authority to appropriate money towards the building or repairing of any public road.

"The subject of fish hatchery for the purpose of keeping up the salmon in the Columbia was brought up and discussed at considerable length, and Messrs. Cook, Prindle and Wygant were appointed a committee to memorialize Congress in the matter." Proceedings of Portland board of trade.

Would it not be a good idea to inform congress at the same time, of the immense success of the murderous fish wheels on the Columbia, that scoop up everything big and little, that comes near them and also of the fact that a company has been formed to construct and put in these wheels so that the destruction of all our fish will go on at wholesale rate? We are forcibly reminded in this connection, of the New Zealand Colonists, of a few years ago, who while imploring the mother country to send them troops to protect them against the Maoris, were at the same time furnishing the latter with arms and ammunition.

The board of trade last night appointed Messrs. H. W. Corbett, W. S. Ladd, Henry Failing, Charles Hodge, C. H. Prescott, Geo. H. Flanders and Philip Wasserman a committee to inquire into the methods of pilot and tug service on the Columbia river bar, and to suggest changes in the law to promote free competition and reform abuses which burden commerce and disgrace Oregon. The state could not supply another greater enterprise or bet there can be no doubt that the bull by the horns and situation. There was some enthusiasm when the question came under discussion and several members expressed willingness to subscribe to the stock of a new company to put efficient tugs on the bar. It now looks as if something was going to be done.—Oregonian.

B. A. Hughes has taken the contract for painting the new Cataract house, and his turly form on a scaffold, between earth and sky, reminds old settlers of days lang syne.

Col. J. T. Long, Grand Lecturer of the I. O. G. T., will lecture in the M. E. church this (Thursday) evening and to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 7:30, P. M. Lecture free.

Hon. D. P. Thompson has gone to Washington to secure congressional aid for the improvement of the Willamette and Columbia rivers. No sooner had he departed than the flood-gates of abuse were turned upon him by every yelping cur that could obtain space in a newspaper. If these fault-finders have the interest of Oregon at heart, do they imagine their course will do aught toward securing the desired assistance? Private enmity should always be restrained when the public welfare is in question. A few weeks ago, an article appeared in this paper over the signature "L," pointing out the abuses on the Columbia bar. The existence of the evils were admitted, but two gentlemen, one or the other being supposed to be the author of the article, became the objects of personal abuse. And why, forsooth? Because the article called attention to a state of affairs that robs every farmer that has a bushel of wheat to sell. The carpers yelled "ring," like the escaping thief, who yells "stop thief," to distract attention from himself. The articles have already borne fruit—the Portland Board of Trade has become interested, public sentiment awakened, and light already dawns. It is the worker, not the obstructionist, that remedies evils and accomplishes good—and gets "cussed" for it.

The Guiteau trial is fast drawing to a close. The court has adjourned till Thursday when the opening speech will be made to the jury by Judge Davigde. As Judge Porter last Tuesday reviewed the conduct of the prisoner and conduct on the part of counsel of his cause in this court, the crime in all its hideous ugliness was held up to the detestation of its hearers. The silence became oppressive and the presence of avenging justice in the near future was suggested with a force of conviction that swept from the court room every vestige of that levity which has long daunted attendance upon every utterance of the prisoner, and like the veil obscured from the consciousness of spectators the horrors of the crime and what should be the solemnity of its judicial pronouncement. The prisoner twisted in his seat and for several minutes was unable to say anything that could approach an interruption. Gradually the prisoner regained his assurance and resumed his habit of instructions and denials. For once however the insufferable impudence of the prisoner was overawed. Neither his noise nor his abuse could interrupt the avalanche of condemnation that swept from the lips of the eloquent counsel.

"The prisoner is mistaken, your honor," said Judge Porter, "if he believes by his unceasing brawling he can prevent my story from being heard by the jury. The puppet cannot be moved in such good time as when he sat with his counsel, and when by his outbursts now he is fast tightening the hangman's noose about his neck." With a nervous twitching of the mouth, Guiteau muttered, "we'll see about that." Hitherto audacious and unabashed, the prisoner seemed ill at ease and at a loss to understand why his would-be sallies of wit or impudence wholly failed with the audience, while the more severe became the denunciation of the counsel the more frequent and marked were demonstrations of approval. Finally, like a wild beast brought to bay, Guiteau yelled out, "I stand my life on the issue, and I am willing to go to the gallows to-morrow if it is the Lord's will. I am sick of this show, Judge Porter. I wish you would get your five thousand dollars and go home."

President Arthur's appointments in the cabinet so far, are all of the "stalwart" stripe; but they are all acknowledged to be men of ability and strict integrity, and personally meet with the approbation of every fair minded man. No Garfield man need evidently apply. What the result of this will be, the next Republican national convention alone will tell.

AN OCTOGENARIAN.

We copy the following from Emory's Daily Peorian (Ills). The venerable subject of the sketch is a mother of Hon. N. W. Randall, of this city. Mrs. M. Randall living on Gay street in this city, celebrated the anniversary of her eighty-first birthday yesterday with her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Clarke, on Moss street. Mrs. Randall was born in New Hampshire in 1800. Her father soon after removed to Mentor, Ohio, and among other land cleared up and settled the farm now owned by President Garfield. Mrs. Randall was married in 1816, and is the mother of seven children, all born in Ohio, and all are still living. The eldest is sixty-three years of age. The youngest, Willard M. Randall, revenue ganger of this city is forty-seven. Mrs. C. S. Clarke, daughter of Mrs. Randall, is the mother of six children, the eldest thirty-four, and the youngest twenty-two, all living. Sixty three years without a death among seven children and six grandchildren is a very unusual occurrence. Mrs. Randall is still in excellent health and vigor, and looks good for twenty years more of life. Mrs. R.'s sister living at Mentor sold to President Garfield the Mentor homestead, which her father originally cleared up, and the two families have long been close neighbors, as well as intimate acquaintances.

Prof. W. L. Nutting delivered a lecture on agriculture to a large and appreciative audience in Wilber's hall, Eagle Creek, last Friday evening.

The railroad trestle-work between the Congregational church and the Abernethy will be torn down soon, and entirely rebuilt.

COUNTY COURT.

January Term. J. K. Wattle, Judge, G. A. Wilprot and G. J. Trullinger Commissioners.

Report of Sup. G. A. Wilprot on the repairing of Eagle Creek bridge, and building of Clear Creek bridge, read, approved and ordered on file. Bates and Salmon Creek road change ordered established as prayed. Oregon City and Harborside road, change ordered established as prayed. Report on care of paupers read and ordered on file.

In the matter of damages on the W. P. Hurman road, Enoch Skirvin, A. Marquam and Martin Robbins, appointed viewers to assess damages, to meet Jan. 20th 1882, on the premises designated.

On petition to relocate Oregon City and Corvallis road, Wm. Elliott, A. Warner and W. J. Caldwell were appointed viewers and F. W. Campbell surveyor to meet Jan. 20th, 1882, at place of beginning.

Change of boundaries of road districts No. 53 and 34 ordered made as prayed for.

Clerk's report of collection of trial fees collected and paid treasurer, read, approved and ordered on file.

Notice of E. C. Livesey to throw up contract of keeping paupers at the expiration of the year, read and ordered on file.

Change in the boundaries of road district No. 51 ordered made as prayed for, thereby creating a new district from the south side of it, to be numbered 63.

License granted for peddling to Higginson & Co. for one year. Application of Holmes and Welch for scholarships in the State University laid over.

Change in the boundaries of road districts No. 1, 2, and 3, thereby creating a new district No. 45 ordered made as prayed for.

Change in the boundaries of road districts No. 20 and 44 ordered made as prayed for.

Road districts No. 23 and 28 heretofore consolidated, now divided, each taking the original boundaries and number.

A new road district No. 62 was created out of the northern part of number 3.

In the matter of the bridge on the north fork of Deep Creek the supervisor was notified to build the bridge utilizing as much old lumber as possible and the county to furnish the necessary planking and spikes.

A term of court appointed to be held on Monday, February 6, 1882, commissioners attending on the 8th for the transaction of general business.

BILLS.

Table listing bills with names and amounts: Phillip Baker \$1.25, Repeating jail 29.50, Oregon City jury list 8.00, Marshfield 7.00, Treasurers office rent 15.00, Chain for road dist No. 35 10.00, Treasurers receipts 3.00, Circuit Court jury per diem and mileage 247.20, Teachers examination board 9.00, Superintending bridges 38.90, Pope & Co. for jail etc. 80.15, LaRoque and Mrs. Wrigley vs Clackamas Co. 50.00, Work and material road dist. No. 29 34.00, Coffins for Duff family 25.00, Oregon City Water Co. 163.00, Care of W. W. Harper 3.50, Pauper expenses 28.00, Grand jury witness 84.00, Sundries for prisoners 6.50, Stationery 41.03, Pauper expense 10.00, Sheriffs fees 95.40, Commission on taxes 150.00, Duff family provisions 12.30, Clerks fees 181.14, Repeating of Eagle Creek bridge 179.00, Court house and jail expense 17.05, Relief for Jas. Stinson 80.00, State vs Pickett 39.56, " " W. Morris 45.60, " " Jos. Andrews 3.40, " " Chas. Bitzer 12.70, " " Martin Andrews 7.30, " " Jas. Richards 20.10, " " J. Ringo 19.50, " " J. Hogan et al. 36.90, " " C. A. Pickett 10.75, " " B. E. Patrick 1.10, " " Daniels 17.90, " " F. Richards 65.25, Stationery 5.52, Prisoners board 15.02, Record books 24.00, Clear Creek bridge 400.00, Lumber road dist. No. 37 12.00, " " " 10 20.00, " " " 57 49.32, " " " 33 15.00, " " " 8 13.28

Mr. C. O. T. Williams and his gentlemanly deputy, Mr. W. T. Whitlock, have our thanks for many favors received.

ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

Nana and forty hostile Apaches have been captured in Mexico.

Two thousand Jewish immigrants left New York on the 28th for the West.

Eurland threatens a more vigorous administration of affairs in Ireland hereafter.

Over one thousand pounds has been subscribed for the Vienna sufferers in London.

Fitzgerald won the six days' walking match in New York, making 682 miles and 35 yards, thus beating the best record.

The total expenses of the Guiteau trial are estimated at \$100,000 to \$200,000. Porter and Davigde will probably get \$25,000 each, the stenographer \$10,000 to \$15,000, and there will be about 250 witnesses and 25 experts. Witness fees and mileage are estimated at \$30,000 to \$50,000.

The alleged union of the Jersey and Clayton interests in Arkansas is not known to be authentic. Democrats will support Garland for the senate. Republicans are organizing excellently, and strong efforts will be made by them to nationalize the state, with more chances than ever of success.

The London Daily News, in a leading article discussing the Panama canal enterprise, says it may be hoped that the protectorate in which Europe could not acquiesce, will be no more heard of. Nationalists in America like jingoism here and Chauvinism in France, the name of temporary aberration from political reason.

STATE AND TERRITORIAL.

Mundy Michaels, a Baker county pioneer, died in the poor house in Baker City, on Christmas eve.

Weather is severe on the Malheur, and Mr. Robbins of Oshoco, says that if they have another fall of snow all the cattle will perish.

The thigh bone of some antediluvian monster has been found near Pendleton, and is to be the relic of a "big injun," ancestor.

For your Fresh Oysters, go to the Main Street Coffee House.

NEW TO-DAY.

Market Report.

Oregon City Market.

Wheat—No 2 bushel. Oats—No 2 bushel without sacks. Potatoes—No 1, 2, 3. Onions—No 1, 2. Flour—No 1, 2, 3. Dried Fruit—No 1, 2, 3. Apples—No 1, 2, 3. Butter—No 1, 2, 3. Eggs—No 1, 2, 3. Hams, 14c. Lard—12 1/2c. Milk—12c. Mill feed—No 1, 2, 3. Shorts, 11c. Middlings, 9c.

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