

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

OREGON STATE POULTRY ASSOCIATION.—An enthusiastic meeting of poultry men was held at the office of J. T. Gregg, in this city, and the following were elected officers of the association: President, A. Warner, Oregon City; first vice president, K. C. Hawley, Salem; second vice president, J. M. Garrison, Forest Grove; directors: W. A. Howe, North Yamhill; C. Nairn, Ballston, Polk county; F. C. Buell, Corvallis, Benton county; S. W. Gaines, Seim, Linn county; G. D. Goodhue, Salem, Marion county; W. W. Baker, and N. L. Curry, Portland; secretary, J. T. Gregg, Salem; treasurer, A. Bush, Salem.

A BRIDGE IN FACT.—It seems that the bridge of the Willamette at Salem is a foregoing conclusion, and preliminary steps are being taken looking to the completion of that enterprise. The amount of travel across the river at that point no doubt justifies the outlay that a bridge would cost, and this travel will be doubled and probably trebled when a bridge spans the river at that point. Ferries cannot always be depended upon, as illustrated by the one that crosses the river at Albany, which has been disabled for nearly two weeks, causing great inconvenience to the traveling public. —[Albany Bulletin.

A FORGOTTEN BOY.—In one of the public schools, a few days ago, the teacher locked a boy pupil in the wardrobe closet for some misdemeanor. The pupil was detained after school hours for not knowing his lessons perfectly and for turning around and whispering to another pupil he was assigned to the closet. The class was dismissed and the boy in the closet turned home, but the boy in the closet was forgotten. He would have spent the night there but for the foresight of a pupil, who returned ostensibly to get a book, but in reality to release his friend. —News.

AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE.—"Prof." V. Garrigus, of Independence, announces himself as an independent candidate for "State school superintendent for the next election the People of Polk Co. & General" the professor thinks wants a man, a fine "public speaker, and Lecturer and a fine Astronomer of the age" to visit the schools and "encourage education." The professor acknowledges that he is not a graduate of Yale, but his "significant and journalistic" experience, he thinks, will wholly fit him for the duties of the office.

SCANDAL TO DEATH.—A VOYER had accident, at Arlington, a few days ago, resulted in the death of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Brown's little girl. Mrs. Brown was washing, and the children were playing in the yard. The child's bonnet became untied and the little one ran into the house to have it fastened; and in some manner, stumbled, falling into a pail of water, scalding herself severely, from the effects of which she has since died.

FUNERAL OF SAM FAIRBANK.—The remains of Samuel Fairbank were interred in the Odd Fellow's cemetery Sunday and were followed to the grave by a large concourse of friends. The funeral turned out in force to show honor to their deceased brother. The funeral ceremonies took place at St. Paul's Episcopal church, and were conducted by Rev. J. Taylor Chambers. They were very impressive.

ARTICLES FILED.—The Coast Mail printing and publishing company has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. Chas. N. Tower, J. T. McCormac, and Andrew J. Lockhart, are the incorporators, and the principal office is at Marshfield. Capital stock \$1500 in 150 shares.

NOTARIAL.—The governor has appointed Wm. Kaiser, of Salem, Geo. B. Curry, of Jacksonville, Leslie Powell, of Mitchell, L. King, of Ontario, J. Franke, of Lakeview, J. H. Kroontz, of Echo, Paul R. Deady, S. B. Riggen, and Eugene D. White, of Portland, as notaries public for Oregon.

THANKS.—Kind words from a good paper are always appreciated. The Independence West Side says: "The Daily Statesman was eighteen years old last Sunday. The people of the capital city should feel proud of that live representative of their interests."

WATCH-CHARM LOST.—Within the past few days (I hardly know when) I have lost a watch-charm. It is in form of a shield, with three links on one side, and I think my initials and the year it was presented to me, on the other. I will pay a reasonable reward for its return to me, E. M. Waite.

CAPTAIN OF POLICE.—Yesterday captain James E. Mead was the recipient of a "brain new" silver star bearing the words "Captain of Police" from his fellow officers. The star is a fine one and the Captain appreciates it highly.

WEST TO ARLINGTON.—A. H. Cornell and Charles Parmenter went to Arlington yesterday to work on a large ware house for Gov. Moody and son. Mr. Cornell was accompanied by his wife.

A NEWS ITEM.—The Tacoma, W. T., Ledger, gives this as an item of news: "Washington territory has not yet been admitted into the union as a state."

IMPROVING.—The many friends of Isaac J. Price, of Turner, will be pleased to learn that he is improving. He is a brother of R. H. Price, of this city.

W. C. T. U. BIBLE READING.—At the regular semi-annual meeting this afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, there will be a bible reading on the subject of strong drink, to which any one interested is invited.

IMMIGRANTS.—204 immigrants arrived in Portland yesterday by the overland train, this being the largest arrival for some time.

SETTLING.—The case of E. M. Lafore against C. H. Monroe, in Justice O'Donnell's court, has been dismissed.

STATE FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

A Gala Season of Two Weeks for Salem in September—Encouraging Prospects.

From Messrs. Hodgkin and Wheeler, who returned yesterday from Portland, it is learned that the board of directors of the Firemen's association of Oregon met at the St. Charles hotel on Saturday last, Messrs. Worsley, Tronchard, Hoffman, and Sanctuary being in attendance, in addition to the delegates from the fire department of this city. The main object of the meeting was to set the time for holding the next meeting of the association and tournament. For obvious reasons, the firemen of Salem were particularly desirous of holding the meeting in June or July, and their delegates used all honorable means and arguments at their disposal to induce their colleagues to accede to the wishes of our local firemen. The Astoria delegates were none the less desirous of holding the meeting later, as the months named are the busiest of their fishing season, and they would find it utterly impossible to send competing teams or to bring with them their friends in any considerable number, if held at that time. Their statements were backed by series of resolutions adopted by the various fire companies and the board of fire delegates; and well-known citizens, including Hon. Frank J. Taylor, circuit judge, Hon. C. W. Fulton, Capt. J. H. D. Gray, L. E. Selig, and others, urged upon the board the importance of the selection of a later date. They all insisted upon the impossibility of Astoria firemen being in attendance during the fishing season, and, as a large number had signified their desire to be present, they urged for the selection of a date when they would be able to do so. President Worsley assured the Salem delegates that 200 Astorians, accompanied by a brass band, might safely be counted as visitors. The Seattle team had also written him that they could and would be present at the tournament if held in September. In short, so urgent was their appeal that it was plain to be seen that the real interests of the association warranted a later date, and it was so decided by a vote of four to two. Our Salem delegation, seeing that it was impossible to secure the date desired, then suggested the 8th, 9th, and 10th of September, bringing it the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday before the state fair, and thus enable visitors to take in the tournament and remain over for fair week, which of course the majority of them will do, and thus aid both enterprises and give us a gala season of two weeks instead of one. The only great objection to the date decided upon is the possibility of rain. This, however, is a risk that must be run, be the date what it might. Our fire-laddies were at first bitterly disappointed, but of course their better judgment will prevail, and they will at once see that the Salem delegation did what they deemed for the best interest of all parties concerned; and let us, as the host, feel that the concession was, after all, the best thing that could be done under the circumstances, and one and all lay aside any disappointments that may exist, and unite in making the tournament of 1886 a grand and complete success. Seattle, Walla Walla, Pendleton, Vancouver, East Portland, Lebanon, and Corvallis will undoubtedly unite with the association this year. Jacksonville has already knocked at the door for admission, and every thing indicates that this year's tournament will excel in every detail that interests volunteer firemen. The Astoria ladies have already under way a magnificent silk banner, which will be rewarded as a prize in the New York contest, and eastern manufacturers have signified a willingness to offer some extra inducements in the way of championship prizes. There is much to be done by our local committees, and they should have the enthusiastic support of all who feel an interest in our fire department, as united effort alone will insure success.

NORTH SALEM PRIMARIES.—The Republican primaries will be held in North Salem precinct, on Saturday, April 3rd, at Lincoln Wade's old store. The primary polls will be open from 12 m., to 4 p. m. Judges, Jas. McCormick, A. M. Clough and Mr. Matthews; clerks, L. Kaiser, P. Masey. By order P. R. Lynch, committee-man.

"ORGANIZING."—Jacob Tichenor, "organizing secretary" of the "prohibition party," went to Jefferson yesterday. If he finds any one to "organize" in Jefferson, he will do better than any one who has gone there before him.

We call attention to advertisement in our columns of Cahm, Nickelsburg & Co., the leading boot and shoe manufacturers on the Pacific coast. They give work to several hundred people and employ only white labor.

CONFERENCE.—The annual conference of the Evangelical church is to be held in this city. It begins on the 4th of June. Bishop Dubs, of Cleveland, Ohio, will preside.

IMPROVEMENTS.—Workmen have begun work on a new residence for Prof. S. M. Parvin, on the corner of Cheneketa and Capital streets.

SICK.—D. D. Prettymann, the veteran nurseryman, has been quite sick for several weeks, at his residence on Center street.

PERSONAL.—P. F. Clash, of Zena, Polk county, was in the capital city yesterday, and did not forget the STATESMAN office.

ADDRESSED THE WRONG MAN. A millionaire railroad king has a brother quite hard of hearing, while he himself is known as having a very prominent nose. Once he went to New York and dined at a friend's house, where he sat between two young ladies. The ladies talked to him very loudly, and rather to his annoyance; but he said nothing. Finally one of them yelled a commonplace remark at him, and then said in an ordinary tone to the other: "Did you ever see such a nose in all your life?" "Pardon me, ladies," said our millionaire, "it is my brother who is deaf."

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

REMOVING.—Thos. Holman is removing his fanning mill business from the wooden building, corner State and Front streets, to the "agricultural works" building, which is now owned by him. He will occupy the second and third floors, and is fixing them up to be very convenient to his business. He has plenty of power there, and will be prepared to turn out lots of work, which no doubt he will do, as his machinery is the best manufactured. He has his agents out all over the country now, and expects to push his business. His enterprise deserves success.

STEAMER TOPY SUNK.—The small steamer Topsy, which plied on the Willamette between this city and Corvallis during the past winter, is reported sunk, having gone down at the wharf at the latter place. Our wicked informant states that the disaster is supposed to have been caused by crawfish eating holes in the bottom. The boat suffered a slight boiler explosion some time since, which probably did more serious damage than was thought at the time, and no doubt caused her to spring leak. —[Albany Herald.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Reason McConnell, living between Albany and Brownsville, met with a serious accident last Saturday, which will probably result in the loss of an eye. A piece of steel flew from a hammer which he was using, striking him in the eye. The sharp fragment of steel penetrated the eye, causing the aqueous humor to run out. A physician was called, who succeeded in extracting a small piece of steel, but it is feared that a larger piece remains in the ball of the eye, which will cause the sight to be destroyed.

LIKELY A BILK.—A man calling himself F. M. Taylor, who has been in the city for a few weeks, is most likely a bilk. Any way, he went off without leaving his future address, and forgot to pay his poor landlady the sum of fifteen dollars which he owed her for board. The curtain went down on his last appearance in Salem on Monday. He also owes the Daily Statesman route agent 30c, and Johnny says he will get out a search warrant for him if he doesn't show up and pay, on his notice.

ONE STRIKE ENDED.—The strike among coal-miners on Puget Sound is coming to an end. The Carbon Hill mines, at Carbonado, Pierce county, are the first to offer to go back, and work will probably be resumed to-day. The force will not be so large as formerly, but the mine will give employment to a good many men. Those with families will secure the first places, and the unmarried men next, if there is room for them.

INSANE.—Quite a row was raised in the Tacoma hotel, Tacoma, on Monday evening, by G. W. Jones, of Portland, agent for the Oregonian and the Columbia river paper company, becoming violently insane. Police officers were called, who tried to arrest him, but he escaped, and up to 2 o'clock yesterday morning he had not been found.

FUNERAL OF EARLE MCCOY.—The funeral services of little Earle McCoy occurred yesterday afternoon at the family residence, and were conducted by Rev. E. J. Thompson. Earle was a member of the infant department of the Presbyterian Sunday school.

CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McCoy desire to express their sincerest appreciation of and gratitude for service of love and kindness rendered by the many friends—one and all—during their recent affliction and sorrow.

WILL FILED.—The last will and testament of the late Andrew Kelly was filed in the probate court yesterday. Col. Geo. Williams was named as executor. He leaves his property to his wife and children. The court yesterday issued letters of testamentary to Col. Williams without bonds.

AURORA BOREALIS.—The police officers reported that the northern lights (Aurora Borealis) were seen on Monday night in all their brilliancy. The lights appeared brightest at about 2 o'clock in the morning. The reporter's informant said that he never saw a more brilliant color in the northern sky.

HOW'S THIS FOR SCHOOL TAX?—The citizens of Central Post last Thursday levied a 15 mill tax on the property of that district for school purposes; 12 mills is to go for the building of a new school house and the balance for carrying on the school. —[Jacksonville Sentinel.

PHOTOGRAPHED.—Of the thirty-two young lady boarders, at present in the Sacred Heart Academy, in this city, ten are from Lane county; and very fine photographs of this group were taken in Mr. Shuster's gallery last week.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—Prof. McElroy is at Albany, attending an institute of the teachers of Linn county, which is now in session. The programme, as published in an Albany paper, bespeaks a very interesting institute.

AT CALCUTTA.—From private letters received in this city on Monday, it is learned that Judge Bonham arrived with his family at Calcutta on February 17. They all stood the trip well, and arrived there in good health.

PERSONAL.—Matt Townsend, of Portland, is in the city visiting his brother, Thos. Townsend, and friends. Matt is a Marion county boy, but has been making Portland his home for some time.

NOTARIAL.—The governor has appointed D. H. Welch, of Astoria, Gilbert L. King, of Baker City, and J. H. Kroontz, of Echo, notaries public.

DISMISSED.—The case against Henry Pulsky for threatening to kill A. D. Ashelman, has been dismissed in Justice Coffey's court.

WHEAT.—The Occident takes down 100 tons of wheat from here to Portland to-day.

THE CANTATA.—The entertainment by the Philharmonic society at Reed's opera house last evening was attended by a good sized audience. The cantata, "Pilgrim Fathers," was rendered by the society, assisted by Prof. Bullock, of East Portland, in an able and interesting manner, and was highly appreciated. The solos at the opening and close of the interlude, by Prof. Bullock, deserve especial mention; also the vocal solo, "The Wailing Bear," by Miss Hadlie Parrish. Miss Pamyra Levy showed marked efficiency in getting good music out of the piano, and Alfred Levy and his violin left a favorable impression upon the audience. Alfred is truly an artist, and if he keeps right on improving till he is "grown up" the number of his equals will be small.

SAD NEWS.—David Holmes, son of the late Hon. H. N. V. Holmes, lives up at Wapinita, Wasco county. He has taken the Weekly Statesman for years and years. He writes to this paper, under date of March 30th, and asks us to tell him just how his father is, in the next issue of the Weekly. As he will see when he receives his paper this week, his father had breathed his last four days before he wrote us that letter, and his remains had been laid away to their eternal rest for two days. If the STATESMAN has the sad duty of first breaking this sorrowful piece of news to the bereaved son, it offers to him at the same time the sympathy and consolation of this community. Very often such is the case, when relatives are outside the reach of telegraphic communication.

REV. HOLT'S LECTURE.—The lecture at the Presbyterian church, on Monday evening, by Rev. W. S. Holt, of Portland, was very largely attended. The church was filled to its utmost capacity, and very many went away, unable to get in. The lecturer was exceedingly happy in his manner and matter, and held the large audience for an hour and a half in the closest attention. The whole address was replete with instruction and amusement, and gave the listener the feeling that he was visiting the "middle kingdom." Mr. Holt is a very rapid and pleasant speaker, and combines wit and eloquence in his speaking. Mr. Holt returned home to Portland yesterday afternoon.

"BORROWED!"—The "enterprising" individual that "borrowed" Marshal Harbord's pistol from the recorder's office, on Saturday last, is known, and the very best thing he can do is to get right around and put the shooting iron back where he got it. That he may know which one it is, if he is in the habit of borrowing such things, it is stated for his information that it is a pearl handled and nickel mounted Colt's revolver, 41 caliber, and has a loud baritone voice. It is a keepsake—Mr. Harbord bought it for the sake of keeping it—and he wants it. You aforesaid borrower, do you hear? He wants it!

YAQUINA BAY NOTES.—Yaquina has an oysterman's association with Geo. King president. Geo. Williams is erecting a building for a skating rink on South Beach. The building will be octagon in shape. A large number of lots have been sold in West Yaquina this week, and arrangements for building quite a number of elegant residences have been made. About twenty carpenters are expected to commence the erection of the railroad machine shops this morning, the grading being about completed.—Post.

TO SURVEY THE RESERVATION.—Charles M. Anderson, of Seattle, has been awarded the contract of subdividing the Puyallup Indian reservation, and surveying it into severalities. Patents to these lands have been forwarded to the Indians, and now the land is to be divided so that each Indian will know just where the lines of his particular place are. Mr. Anderson is to receive \$5 per day for his services, and expects to be employed about three months.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.—A shocking accident is reported from Medical Lake, W. T. A man by name of McKay, while hitching up a team of colts to a rolling harrow, was unable to manage them and he was thrown under the harrow and mortally wounded, his skull being cut open for a length of four inches, the sharp steel dice breaking and remaining in the skull.

EXAMINING THE PENITENTIARY.—O. C. White, General M. M. Eane and H. E. Johnson, commissioners appointed to erect a penitentiary at Walla Walla, returned Monday to Portland from Salem. Their mission at this city was to inspect the penitentiary, for the purpose of adopting whatever might be worthy of imitation.

FIRST PAPERS.—Henry Wenroth and Sebastian Mayer yesterday filed papers with the county clerk noting their intention of becoming citizens of the United States, and renouncing their allegiance to all other powers, potentates, monarchies, and especially the government of King Wilhelm of Germany.

KILLED BY A COUGAR.—Last week a cougar killed a cow and calf belonging to John Patterson of Barnes prairie. Mr. Patterson tread the animal with dogs and shot it. It measured nine feet in length, and had dragged the cow some distance through the woods.

TAKING TESTIMONY.—Attorneys in the celebrated divorce case of Wm. Newhouse against S. A. Newhouse, were engaged yesterday in taking testimony before J. T. Gregg, Esq., in referee. The case is quite a complicated one, and the testimony will be lengthy.

TO COME TO SALEM.—Elder J. W. Webb, pastor of the Christian church in this city, has resigned his pastorate here to accept a call to the church of the same denomination in Salem.—[News.

WENT TO WORK.—Charles Piper went to Portland yesterday, to take up his duties as mail-weighter on the O. & C. railroad. He will begin this morning and be at it for about six weeks.

MOVING IN.—Steiner & Blosser are now moving their stock of stoves, etc., into their new quarters in the Malloy block.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Supreme Court Declares the Registry law Invalid.

A VEXED QUESTION SETTLED.

An Able Opinion by Chief Justice Waldo, Associate Justice Thayer Dissenting.

[From Thursday's Daily.]

Yesterday morning the supreme court settled the vexed question as to the constitutionality of the act passed by the late legislature requiring voters to register, by declaring the law invalid and against the constitution of the state of Oregon. Chief Justice Waldo delivered the opinion of the court, which was concurred in by Justice Lord, Justice Thayer dissenting from the opinion of the court.

The matter was brought up on a case begun in the circuit court for Multnomah county by Eugene D. White, praying for an injunction requiring the county court of Multnomah county not to act under the law. The law was sustained in the lower court and the writ of injunction was refused. The case was then brought before the supreme court on appeal and was argued by T. A. McBride, Esq., of Oregon City, Hon. W. D. Fenton, of Portland, and Hon. John Burnett, of Corvallis, on the part of the appellant, and Hon. Jos. Simon, and Hon. John M. Gearin, for respondents. The opinion is a very able one and treats the question at length. The space of this paper is not sufficient to allow of its publication in full, hence only the salient points of the opinion will be given.

The opinion says: "The constitution of Oregon, article 2, section 2, provides in all elections not otherwise provided for by this constitution, every white male citizen of the United States, of the age of 21 years and upwards, who shall have resided in the state during the six months immediately preceding such election, and every white male of foreign birth of the age of 21 years and upwards who shall have resided in this state during the six months preceding such election and shall have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States one year preceding such election, conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization, shall be entitled to vote at all elections authorized by law."

The court found it necessary to enter into an examination of the details of the act, for (says the court) it is met at the threshold by a fatal objection. As we construe the constitution, every law which requires previous registry as a prerequisite to the right to vote is ipso facto void.

The legislature has the power to regulate elections, and say how they shall be conducted, "but the right to vote itself has been placed beyond their influence or control." The constitution gives a vested right to every man under certain conditions to exercise the right of suffrage, and this right cannot be legislated from them by any part of the government.

The opinion says: "That inveterate argument, the gravity of declaring an act of the legislature unconstitutional, was urged, as usual in such cases. If, however, a law be unconstitutional, the gravity of not declaring it to be so, is also worthy of consideration. That sound and able judge, Mr. Justice Campbell of Michigan, well said, in Sears vs. Cottrell, 5 Mich. 283, that 'every unconstitutional law which is made to stand creates a permanent and deadly evil, by overturning the only safeguards we have against public usurpation.' The judiciary, as the guardians of the people's liberties, must in duty observe that vigilance against unconstitutional encroachment, which is said to be the price of liberty."

A text of the famous Littleton has come down to us in the Year Books, 6th ed. 4, 8, 18: "The law is all one in great things and small."

"The right to vote, under the constitution, is a vested constitutional right. 'When I say a right is vested, I mean that he has the power to do certain actions, or to possess certain things, according to the law of the land'; Chase J., Colver vs. Ball, 3 Dall. 394. If the right be vested by the constitution, it denotes a right that under the constitution cannot be taken away. Rich vs. Flanders, 39 N. H. 385; Eakin vs. Raule, 12 S. & R. 360."

In considering the right under the constitution which is given to voters, the opinion says that where registry is required in order to vote, such registry is a condition precedent to the right itself, and therefore a rule of substantive law. It results as follows: "A right has been defined by Mr. Justice, to be the legal consequence which attaches to certain facts. Every fact which forms one of the group of facts of which the right is the legal consequence, appertains to the substance of the right. The right to vote under the constitution may be defined to be a vested right in present, to be exercised in futuro, on a fixed day. When that day arrives, and the right is to be exercised, every fact essential to the existence of the right is a substantive fact. Previous registry in order to vote is precisely such a fact. It is a condition precedent which must be performed, or when the day arrives no right will exist. Procedure ex vi termini appertains to the mode of enforcement or enforcement of a right. No rule of procedure can operate anterior to the time when the right is to be enjoyed or enforced. It cannot have effect to determine a right before the right accrues. The distinction, therefore, sought to be drawn on this subject, between what constitutes a qualification and what in contradistinction is called a mode of proof of qualification, is unsubstantial. Every definition of the qualifications of voters is but a statement of the terms on which men may vote; and in every instance such definition refers to what a party has done as well as to what he is. They say to the voter, 'If you have done certain things, you can vote.' He who does not register is not qualified to vote, and hence is not a qualified elector—a phrase that is used five times in the constitution to signify those who are entitled to go to the polls on election day and legally vote. But the court says, 'He who has a right to do something to-morrow can never be secure of his right before to-morrow comes. If this can result, then the constitution does not mean what it says.' If the legislature can take away the right

(of an elector to vote) which is given by the constitution, then, says the court, the legislature instead of being controlled by the constitution, may mold the constitution at their pleasure. It would then be superior to the organic law of the state. But such is not the case. In referring to the law of New York, where the constitution says the legislature may provide a way for proving the qualification of the voters, the court holds that the difference between that case and the one in Oregon, is the difference between a case where a power has been conferred and where it has not. Therefore the court holds the law invalid and unconstitutional, and says: "The decree must be reversed and the court below directed to make the injunction perpetual."

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

WHICH WAS HIS WIFE?—Nearly all the citizens of Salem will remember J. S. Coulter, the carpenter and architect, who died at Portland, Oct. 25th last, and was brought here for burial. He came here from California several years ago overland and the woman who was known here as Mrs. Coulter came by steamer. By this woman he became the father of three children. It will be remembered that he failed in business in 1879. About that time a man from California told of a man in that state by the same name and an architect, who embezzled a large sum and disappeared from there. Whether it was the same man or not was not learned at the time, although he was described perfectly. A few days ago the secretary of the A. O. U. W., of which order Coulter was a member, was very much surprised to get a letter from a lawyer in Brockton, Mass., stating that Coulter had a wife and two children in that city, and claiming the insurance due from the order. The claim was strongly substantiated by affidavits and by letters, the handwriting of which was easily recognized by a good many citizens of this place as Coulter's. The matter has not been adjusted yet, but \$500 has been paid to the Mrs. Coulter known here, who is now east. There seems no doubt of the justness of the claims of the lady in Brockton, and she will probably get at least part of the money.

ON THE "TICKET."—J. P. Robertson yesterday nominated by the "prohibition" central committee to run for state senator, vice Thos. Van Scoy, resigned. The only wonder is that Robertson did not get on the ticket in the first place. He has "run" on all of them except the republican. He has been, in turn, consecutively and non-consecutively, a democrat, greenbacker, anti-monopolist, etc., etc., and now he has fallen into the ranks of the new "third party." Robertson is a great man to "run." He will get about as near to office through the "suffrages" of the people, this time, as ever before, which is not very near. Robertson is the cap-sheaf to the ticket.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.—The republican primaries will be held on Saturday next, April 3d. Every able-bodied republican should be there, and should make it a point to see that all other republicans attend. These primaries will be held at the usual place of voting in each precinct, and will elect delegates to the county convention, which will meet April 22d, in Salem. Republicans must now wake up, and be ready for the coming fight against the faithful and the "unfaithful."

ARTICLES FILED.—The Meadows irrigating company of Echo, Umatilla county, filed articles yesterday with the secretary of state. The incorporators are Geo. W. Tribble, W. C. Tribble, and O. Teel. Capital stock \$1000 in 50 shares. F. W. Bales & Co., of Portland, have also incorporated to do a general printing and publishing business, with F. W. Bales, C. Bales and J. T. Hayne, incorporators and a capital stock of \$1250 in 125 shares.

THE BRIDGE SURVEY.—The corps of engineers engaged in making the preliminary surveys for the site of the proposed bridge have made careful soundings, finding rocky and gravelly bottoms for the most part. Yesterday a donkey engine was placed on the scow used as a ferry across the slough, and the work of boring to determine the depth and character of the bed-rock will be prosecuted vigorously.

WHAT THEN?—The correspondent of a gentleman in this city, writing from Chelalis, W. T., says: "In this town (Chelalis) \$800 is raised annually from two liquor dealers, the proceeds of which have for the past two years gone a long way towards beautifying the town, laying down plank roads, sidewalks, etc. Cut this supply off and what then? People want more taxation."—Vancouver (W. T.) Independent.

GONE TO WILLIMINA.—Billy Henderson, who has acted as "central boy" for the Sunset Telephone company in this city for the past two years, left yesterday for a well-deserved week's vacation on the Willimina, in Yamhill county. Billy will probably want to get back again soon, and will fully appreciate Salem on his return.

WITHDRAWN.—The term of the lease of the steamer Salem by the O. R. & N. Co. having expired, Agent Woodworth was notified yesterday by telegram that the Salem is withdrawn from the trade. The Occident will continue to run as usual, her days up being Monday and Thursday, and down Wednesday and Fridays.

TO SAN FRANCISCO.—Miss Goldsmith, of Eugene, passed Salem on yesterday afternoon's train on her way to San Francisco. She will remain in Portland a few days, from whence she will be accompanied by her brother, Charley Goldsmith.

MEETING NOTICE.—The sportsmen of the city will meet at A. O. Waller's gunsmith store on Friday (to-morrow) evening, to form a Rod and Gun club, for the protection of game. All interested persons invited. Will meet at 7:30, p. m.

PUFFS.—A nice line of puffs and puff boxes, together with all the leading brands of face powder, at Fort & Son's drug store, 100 State street.

Deputy Sheriff John H. Lewis, of Benton county, was in the city yesterday.