

OREGON LEGISLATURE.

The Constitutional Amendments Pass the House.

THE PORTLAND BRIDGE BILL.

Amendments of the Judiciary Committee Adopted—Normal School Matters.

January 26.

SENATE.

MORNING SESSION.

Called to order, pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Hill, of Salem. Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

S. B. 38, Mayer—Making legal interest eight per cent., and making any expressed interest collectible. After a warm debate, the bill was defeated.

S. B. 45, Coleman—Concerning writ of review. Passed.

S. B. 47, Allen—To regulate decrees for divorce. The main feature of this bill provides that where habitual drunkenness continues for two years, or desertion for one year, it shall be considered ground for divorce. The bill passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS.

H. B. 19—To incorporate Myrtle Point. Referred, corporations.

26—To incorporate Heppner. Corporations.

Chamberlain offered a resolution empowering the general government to purchase certain land for use of Chemawa Indian school. Adopted.

H. B. 19—Simon reported same from judiciary, for construction of a railroad bridge across the Willamette, at Portland.

Weatherford offered amendment to the amendments, taking authority to appoint engineers from the mayors of Portland and East Portland, and placing it in the hands of the governor, with advice of the senate.

Pending action, the senate adjourned till 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The senate continued consideration of railroad bridge bill.

Weatherford's amendment was defeated, and the amendments recommended by judiciary committee were adopted. The bill was made special order for tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

House joint resolution for relief of Capt. Reavis and Philo Callender was concurred in.

Watts presented petition with several thousand names for passage of a liquor license bill. Referred, education.

Multnomah delegation reported favorably bill authorizing Portland to issue \$500,000 bonds for water purposes.

Dimick offered joint resolution providing for better instruction of physiology and hygiene in public schools. Adopted.

S. J. M. 10, Hare—Providing for annotation and publication of school laws. Adopted.

Cauthorne—Memorial to congress, for appropriation for improvement of the Willamette at Corvallis. Adopted.

Resolutions from Columbia assembly K. of L., endorsing message of Governor Penoyer. Placed on file.

BILLS READ FIRST TIME.

S. B. 132, Barin—Establishing uniform course of public instruction. Read twice. Education.

S. B. 133, Lee—Authorize construction of bridge across Willamette river at Ray's landing.

S. B. 134, Hare—Amending incorporation of Hillsboro. Ordered third reading to-morrow.

S. B. 135, Cartwright—Changing time of holding court in Crook county. Read twice, third to-morrow.

S. B. 136, Gray—Relating to pilotage on the Willamette and Columbia rivers.

S. B. 137, Miller—To incorporate Grants Pass. Read twice. Corporations.

HOUSE.

MORNING SESSION.

Called to order, pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. S. B. Wilson, of Eugene.

The journal of yesterday was read, and approved.

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS.

S. B. 20—To prevent fraud in issuing pedigrees of stock.

17—To create health officer at mouth of the Umpqua.

11—To regulate the fees of clerk of supreme court.

16—To incorporate Prineville.

3—To incorporate Cottage Grove.

H. B. 4, Munger—For special committee of five on labor. Adopted.

H. J. M. 3, Palmer—Praying congress to place buoys from mouth of Umpqua river to Gardiner, and for construction of lighthouse. Adopted.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS.

H. B. 83, Hansard—To repeal act creating state board of agriculture. Referred to the special committee investigating books of the board.

84, Richardson—To make rate of interest 6 and 8 per cent. Judiciary.

85, Maxwell—To regulate salmon fisheries. Agriculture.

86, Wilcox—For relief of W. E. and S. E. Sottler. Claims.

87, Gregg—For publication of county finances. Judiciary.

88, Wilson—To prohibit sale of tobacco to minors. Education.

89, Gubser—To amend school laws. Education.

90, Miller of Jackson—Further relief of A. W. Presley. Education.

91, Miller of Jackson—To repeal law requiring traction engines to carry planks.

92, Culver—Relating to appeals from justices' courts. Judiciary.

93, Wilcox—To fix time for holding court in Gilliam county. Counties.

94, Henry—To raise school tax to five mills. Education.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

At this point, the secretary of state appeared, and presented a communication conveying the following proposed amend-

ment to the constitution:

The prohibitory amendment to article XIX, section 1, moved to adopt, the H. J. M. 12, 13th session. Adopted. J. E. 7 of the 13th session. Adopted. S. J. E. 12, 13th session—Proposing to amend constitution allowing legislative assembly to fix salaries of state officers. Manger moved to adopt. So ordered.

H. J. B. 1, 13th special session—changing time of holding general election to November. Hale moved to adopt.

FIRST READING HOUSE BILLS.

197, Paulsen—To increase number of state laws printed, and to provide for delivering them to any society that may use a seal.

198, Laughlin—Granting P. & W. V. Ry. Co. right of way through River View cemetery of Portland.

199, Bilyeu—Amending charter of Eugene.

200, Miller—To protect fish and game.

201, Miller—To provide mileage for jurors in justices' courts.

202, Lafollett—To prescribe width of draws in bridges hereafter constructed over the Willamette river above Ross island. Read second time and referred to committee.

FIRST READING SENATE BILLS.

45, Coleman—Concerning writ of review.

47, Allen—Providing that habitual drunkenness for 2 years, or desertion for 1 year shall be considered reasonable grounds for divorce.

FIRST READING HOUSE BILLS.

203, Harrington—To amend charter of East Portland. Read twice. To corporations. Adjourned.

HOUSE.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-convened at 1:30; roll called. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Harrington from judiciary, reported unfavorably on H. B. 70, to authorize circuit judges to audit fees of sheriffs and clerks in court cases; on H. B. 75, limiting time when a judgment may be enforced in an action at law; on 48, to legalize certain county roads in Oregon; on 77, to amend lien laws; on 79, for immediate taking of testimony of indigent witnesses; on 68, to provide for restoration and preservation of banks of navigable streams; on 173, relating to appeals. Favorably on H. B. 76, to relieve debtors; 73, providing that petitioners for roads of public easement shall file a bond for payment of all damages; and H. B. 14, without recommendation.

Summers, from military affairs—On H. B. 2, favorably, a bill authorizing cities of 10,000 inhabitants to construct armories.

Blundell, from education, without recommendation on H. B. 8—To permanently locate state normal school at Monmouth. Several amendments adopted after report.

Good, from roads and highways, favorably on H. B. 5—Relating to roads and highways.

McLean, from public lands, favorably on H. J. R. 1—Memorializing congress to survey Klamath Indian reservation. Adopted.

FIRST READING HOUSE BILLS.

204, Harrington—To abolish office of county clerk in Multnomah Co. Read second time. To judiciary.

205, Harrington—Allowing county court of Multnomah county to contract for rental of any bridge over Willamette river, at annual rental of not to exceed \$20,000, said bridge to be owned by county at end of 20 years.

206, Mayer—Relating to roads.

207, Goodsell—To regulate hog pens and slaughter houses.

208, Gay—Amending act creating Morrow county.

209, Pendleton—To define duties of county courts.

S. C. R. 9, Chamberlin—To allow U. S. government to purchase land in Marion Co., for use of the U. S. Indian school at Chemawa.

H. B. 210, Kruse—Appropriating \$1500 per annum for support of pilot schooner "Gov. Moody." Read 2nd time and referred to committee.

211, Goodsell—To amend Portland charter relating to paid fire departments.

212, Good—For relief of Wm. Glick, of Clackamas county. Read 2nd time. To ways and means.

213, Noyer—To regulate employment of Chinamen—Requiring all persons employing Chinamen to pay \$5 license per month per capita for all Chinese employed. Read 2nd time. To special Chinese.

214, Noyer—Granting to wife 1/3 of property in fee simple on death of husband.

SECOND READING HOUSE BILLS.

95, Henry—Relating to common schools. To education.

96, Henry—Relating to collection of school district taxes; education.

97, Paulsen—Authorizing circuit judges to issue special venires for jurors in certain cases; judiciary.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS.

H. B. 215, from special committee, Culver chairman, repealing act to protect certain birds of pheasant kind.

98, Harris—To regulate practice of dentistry; judiciary.

99, Benjamin—Requiring insurance companies to pay full value of loss without drawbacks; special on insurance.

100, Benjamin—For protection against quackery; judiciary.

101, Bilyeu—To provide for the courts assessing costs, on motion of attorneys; judiciary.

102, Daly—Making first Saturday in June a legal holiday to be known as labor day; labor.

103, Daly—Raising school levy to five mills; education.

104, Thompson—Creating Harney county; counties.

105, Maxwell—To create concurrent jurisdiction over offenses on the Columbia river; judiciary.

107, C. M. Lafollett—To make county clerks commissioners of estrays.

108, Summers—For compiling and printing laws of Oregon; printing.

109, Summers—To prevent unlawful wearing of badge of G. A. R., amended by Daly to include badge of K. of L.

110, Bowditch—For permanent location and support of state normal school at Ashland; education.

111, Noyer—Relating to public schools; education.

168, McLean—To incorporate Linkville; corporations.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS.

6, ————Regulating actions against counties for injuries on public highways;

119, Chandler—For incorporation of Baker City; corporations.

10, ————To reimburse certain counties for taxes. Adjourned.

IRREDUCIBLE SCHOOL FUND.

The committee appointed to investigate the matter of the loan of the irreducible school fund of the state; to learn the amount now in hands of state treasurer, the amount on hand at the first of each month of the past year, the number and amounts of loans made during the year, and the number of applications rejected, submitted, by Mr. Roberts, chairman, its report yesterday morning. It sets forth that the amount now in the hands of the state treasurer is \$26,236.72.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Amount. Rows include Jan. 1, 1886 (\$28,018.64), Feb. 1, 1886 (\$21,608.64), March 1, 1886 (\$26,464.69), April 1, 1886 (\$31,220.09), May 1, 1886 (\$28,070.09), June 1, 1886 (\$29,557.45), July 1, 1886 (\$15,880.55), Aug. 1, 1886 (\$28,648.97), Sept. 1, 1886 (\$26,348.97), Oct. 1, 1886 (\$21,593.93), Nov. 1, 1886 (\$4,037.83), Dec. 1, 1886 (\$9,256.34).

There were 135 applications made to borrow money from said fund during the year.

There were 126 loans made during the year amounting to \$168,343.94. There were no applications made to the board of school land commissioners which were rejected. There were nine applications made to said board to borrow in all \$13,675 from the fund in which no action has been taken, for the reason that the applicants' titles to said lands are not perfect, or the securities not perfected.

The committee will not be able to report as to the accounts of the state treasurer, before the latter part of the session.

REAPPORTIONMENT CAUCUS.

The republican members of the legislature held a caucus last night to consider the report of the committee appointed at the last caucus meeting, in relation to the matter of reapportionment of the state into legislative districts. The bill reported by the committee adopts the vote of 1886 as the basis of apportionment. It estimates the total vote of the state at 54,000, indicating a total population of 245,000. The ratio reported for senators is 1800 votes, and an estimate population of 8,200; for representatives, 900 voters, and 4,100 population. Upon this basis, the senators are to be apportioned as follows: Coos and Curry counties, 1 joint; Douglas, 1; Douglas and Josephine, 1 joint; Jackson, 1; Lane, 2; Linn, 2; Benton, 1; Polk, 1; Marion, 2; Yamhill, 1; Yamhill, Tillamook, and Columbia, 1 joint; Clatsop, 1; Washington, 1; Multnomah, 4; Clackamas, 1; Wasco, 1; Wasco and Gilliam, 1 joint; Morrow, 1; Umatilla, 1; Union, 1; Umatilla and Union county 1 joint; Baker county 1; Grant, 1; Crook, Lake, and Klamath, 1 joint. The representatives are apportioned as follows: Coos, 1; Coos and Curry, 1 joint; Douglas, 3; Josephine, 1; Jackson, 3; Lane, 2; Linn, 3; Benton, 2; Polk, 2; Marion, 5; Yamhill, 2; Yamhill and Tillamook, 1 joint; Columbia, 1; Clatsop, 2; Washington, 2; Multnomah, 10; Clackamas, 3; Wasco, 2; Gilliam, 1; Morrow, 1; Umatilla, 3; Union, 3; Baker, 2; Grant, 2; Lake and Klamath, 1 joint.

TURNER ITEMS.

No church services here yesterday.

Miss Blanch Rains is visiting at Sublimity.

A. Shaw of the Waldo Hills spent Sunday in town.

Dentist Caldwell, of Stayton did this town last week.

The mill has been shut down the past week on account of high water.

Harry Helmke visited the metropolis of the northwest the 21st instant.

Our young men have consulted their better judgment and boycotted the Sunday foot racing.

A. Cartwright and J. K. Smith, of Hogum, were in the city Saturday on important business.

The church and Sunday school is in receipt of 100 of the late revised Epworth Hymnal song books.

A corps of our boys organized a Salvation Army and gave their first exercises at the church, Friday.

The next reporter that calls Macleay by its maiden name (Lick-Skillet) is to die the death of a rag baby.

Friedman's auction, the latter part of the week, drew many honest tillers of the soil to town, where they imagined an eldorado was to be given away.

The bell for the church has been put on its pegs, and sounds very inferior to what our citizens expected from a \$50 bell. It can probably be heard over town, but will never bother the sextons from their midnight slumbers.

The Capital Adventure company has moved its stock of drugs to Albany and its notions and etc., to Salem. Ed. Thornton goes to Albany with the drugs and Mr. Bridg's returns to Salem. Both are gentlemen in every sense of the word, and made many friends during their three months' stay in our village.

Many have the cattle buying fever. Some that could not buy laths for a chicken coop, are out enquiring for cattle.

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LENG STATION ITEMS.

There was a party at McKibber's last Saturday night.

Miss Mira Leady has returned home from her visit to Marion.

Mrs. Frank Hammer is confined to the house with rheumatism.

Mr. T. Ball, proprietor of the South Santiam store, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. A. A. Bashor, of this place, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Vanclieve, at Mt. Angel.

Mrs. Wes. Baltimore and family have moved back from Ashland. He has moved on to his brother's farm.

Rev. M. M. Bashor will commence a series of Meetings next Sunday at the Fairview church. He will be assisted by others.

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FOREIGN.

Record of News from Over the Atlantic.

SUSPICIOUS MOVEMENTS.

Italy and France Getting Ready for Any Emergency.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—The Italian government has purchased the National line steamer "American," and will convert it into an armed cruiser.

France is buying large quantities of timber in Alsace and Lorraine with which to erect barricades at various points on the frontier. It is the German theory, freely expressed, that France wishes to facilitate and encourage any invasion of the German territory. Things begin to look a little "squally" on the continent.

Stanley's Expedition.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—Henry M. Stanley, the explorer, is flooded with offers from good men who wish to accompany his expedition for the relief of Emir Bey, and he has found it difficult to select from the many competent applicants the few required. The British government has supplied the expedition with a major and a lieutenant of engineers. Stanley is determined to reach Emir Bey by July, at latest. He will meet Dr. Junker at Port Said, on his way out. He will establish a station at a safe distance from the Congo, on the way to Lake Victoria Nyanza, to be used as a base of operations.

Notable Death.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—Lord Chesterfield died in this city to-day.

Two Heavy Failures.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—Dalle & Co., extensive timber merchants, and Patton & Co., large ship owners, both failed to-day. The liabilities and assets of each firm are very large.

The War Rumors.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—Rumors of war are becoming more and more frequent. The North German Gazette, the National Gazette, and the Cologne Gazette, as well as the Times, Standard, and Daily News, of London, all report that France is making elaborate preparations to dispatch to the German frontier strong reinforcements.

Not in His Rules.

EDINBURGH, Jan. 22.—The Marchioness of Queensbury was to-day granted a divorce from her husband, the Marquis of Queensbury.

DISASTROUS COLLISION.

A Hundred Soldiers and Seven Mandarins Drowned.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The British steamer Leopard to-day collided with and sank a Chinese transport near Shanghai. The disabled vessel went down immediately with all on board. One hundred soldiers and seven mandarins were drowned.

Danger of War.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily News professes to know that there is extreme danger of war. It says the government is alarmed on account of its having heard that Germany is likely within a few days to ask France to explain her military movements on the frontier.

A French Victory.

PARIS, Jan. 24.—Dispatches from Tonquin give news of the fact that the French carried the rebel position at Mik. Thanhoa, and five hundred insurgents were killed, in a very hot engagement.

STRIKE IN COAL MINES.

Excitement among the Colliers throughout Scotland.

GLASGOW, Jan. 25.—Three thousand coal miners of Airdrie, a mining town eleven miles north-east of this city, have struck for an advance of a shilling per day upon their wages, and have left the mines and refused to work unless their demands are complied with. The strike has occasioned great excitement among colliers throughout Scotland, and there is likely to be further trouble.

Another London Divorce.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The wife of Edward Salomon, the composer, has been granted a divorce.

WASHED OUT.

Railroad Bridge, Wagon Bridge and Mill Dam on Padding River Taken by the Flood.

The first reports of the effects of the present high water over the country are coming in. On Sunday night, the old dam at the McAllister place, about eight miles east of this city, on the Cranston road, gave away under the enormous pressure of the swollen waters of Padding river, and the torrent went rushing on, carrying everything before it. The wagon bridge and railroad of the narrow gauge railroad, near the same place, were unable to resist the power of the waters, and went floating down stream.

The railroad bridge was on the switch of the narrow gauge, and had not been used for sometime. The cost of building it must have been at least \$1000. The wagon bridge was on the county road, and will of course have to be rebuilt by the county. It was probably worth \$250 or \$300. The dam belonged to what was formerly known as the McAllister place. The mill burned down July 4th, 1880. Its value might be considered as nothing, since there was no prospect that the mill would ever be rebuilt.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.—Supplementary articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the secretary of state, of the Portland Reduction works, with W. S. Ladd, W. A. Jones, Charles F. Powell, F. J. Carrel, S. G. Reed, C. H. Prescott, and James Steel, as incorporators; capital stock, \$50,000. Also, articles have been filed incorporating the Scandinavian Benevolent society, of blind; incorporators, G. G. Smith, Allen J. Settem, and Hans Christensen; capital stock, \$1,500.

SUPREME COURT.

January 20.

Baldock vs. Johnson; leave to file additional evidence granted.

Neil vs. Wilson; judgment of the court below affirmed. Opinion by Lord, C. J. State of Oregon, resp., vs. Nelson Dille and Henry Johns, appeal from Marion county; argued and submitted.

Wm. Ewing, app., vs. Thomas F. Rourke, resp., appeal from Umatilla county; argued and submitted.

Jan. 24, 1887. Thomas Moorehouse, resp., vs. E. R. Cox and R. W. Donaca, apps.; judgment of the lower court affirmed. Opinion by Strahan J.

M. D. Cleford, resp., vs. Lee Moorehouse and L. H. Marston, apps.; judgment of the court below affirmed. Opinion by Thayer, J.

Jno. McDearmid, resp., vs. Jno. R. Foster & Co., apps.; judgment of the court reversed. Opinion by Thayer, J.

Howell, vs. Young; motion to affirm judgment of the lower court.

M. Andros, resp., vs. Jno. A. Childers, app.; appeal from Union county. Argued and submitted.

Jan. 25, 1887. Jno. B. Crews and Wm. A. Seider, apps., vs. D. A. Richards resp. Decree of the lower court affirmed and bill dismissed. Opinion by Lord, C. J.

Howell, vs. Young; motion to withdraw allowed.

Mary A. Mitchell, resp., vs. W. B. Campbell, app.; appeal from Union county. Argued and submitted.

Jan. 25th,