

Circuit Court Adjourned.

At half past ten o'clock, night before last, the January term of the Circuit court for Clatsop county adjourned sine die, and Judge Bellinger, Hon. J. F. Caples, the able district attorney, and members of the Portland bar in attendance, returned to their homes yesterday. Judge Bellinger has a pleasant faculty of expediting business, and it will be a source of satisfaction to the people to know that the Judge was in advance of the attorneys in most cases, and that every cause which could be heard was heard at this four days' session. The 25th of March has been fixed as a time for hearing other causes of importance which were not fully made up.

We have long been intimately acquainted with Judge Bellinger, and we feel a personal satisfaction in seeing him in the position which he is now filling with such general acceptability, to all persons with whom he has official contact. On taking the bench Judge Bellinger was compelled to face a very unpleasant duty—a work which has no precedent, possibly in the whole history of the civilized world. Criminals of all grades were brought before him, and although in office but a very few weeks, he has been compelled to impose the penalty of death upon four or five murderers, and sentenced as many more to the penitentiary on terms extending over the period of life time in some instances and for a term of years in others. Yet, with the consciousness of doing his whole duty faithfully, he has not permitted himself to waver in the least from what must be considered the plainest acts of justice.

When the fact becomes generally understood among the murderous and thieving classes which infest the Pacific slope that we have in Oregon Judges like Mr. Bellinger, and a State Penitentiary conducted upon the basis upon which Mr. Bush is conducting the Oregon penitentiary, it is a very reasonable supposition, to suppose that all classes of semi-barbarians will give our state a wide berth. In these matters we are particularly well pleased.

The Back-Pension Bill.

The back-pension bill will cost the treasury from \$20,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Some of the estimates are as high as \$100,000,000. We think the latter estimate not far from the mark, and for these reasons: In 1866, the year after the conclusion of the war, the whole number of pensioners on the rolls was 126,722, and the whole amount paid was \$15,605,549. From that year the yearly rolls and payments footed up as follows, to and including the year 1877:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Pensioners, Payments. Data for years 1872-1877.

These figures are taken from a speech by Smith of Pennsylvania in the house of representatives on the 10th of last April, and were copied by Smith from the records of the pension bureau. They show that the maximum of pensions was not enrolled till 1873, twelve years after the war, and that the number had increased 85,227 in those

12 years. From 1873 to 1877 the list ran down from 238,411 to 232,104. And 78,920 more were on the rolls in 1877 than in 1866. Under this bill (which is just) at least this many (78,920) will be entitled to back pensions from the present time to the date of the close of the war; or, rather, to the date of the expiration of their term of enlistment. It is tolerably clear from these premises that it will require very nearly, if not quite, \$100,000,000 to foot the whole bill for back pensions. The average number entitled to the benefits of the measure for the entire time from 1866 to 1878, inclusive, is not much below 70,000, and the average amount drawn by the 232,104 pensioners in 1877 was a little over \$120. That would give \$8,400,000 a year, which for twelve years amounts to \$100,800,000.

It will not be possible for the government to pay this amount in one, two, or three years; nor is it likely to be called for in so short a time. But if the bill becomes a law, it is easy to see that it will compel congress to devise new taxes for an increase of the revenue to meet the necessary increase of expenditures on this account. And the present session of congress will have to shoulder that responsibility or the greater one of leaving a large deficiency to be met by the next congress. To pass this bill without providing for the payment of the just demands incurred under it would be an act in the nature of repudiation, and a flat insult to a class whom the bill acknowledges to be among the nation's most honest and deserving creditors.

Foolish Women.

Portland Daily Bee.

The conduct of some women who annoy the jailor and officials at the county jail is both silly and ridiculous, and excites general contempt. Every day several sensation loving matrons appear and crave admittance "just for a moment" to converse and sympathize with, and snivel over the doomed wretches in the iron cage. Shortly before noon to-day a couple of women, whose appearance would indicate better sense and more self-respect, entered the sheriff's office and earnestly besought a short interview with Brown and Johnson. They admitted they were no relatives and had no business to transact but merely desired to show their sympathy for the "poor men who were so good looking." They said they would willingly take the places of the condemned and die for, if they would only save them. Each of the shallow-pated things carried a baby in her arms and had a husband trying to earn them an honest living. When asked if it would not be a better taste and more sensible to manifest a little sympathy for Mrs. Joseph, whose son was coldly murdered, the darling and support of her declining years, they replied, "Oh, no, she has not been sentenced to death." Such exceeding folly would be ludicrous if it did not excite commiseration at such idiotic display of sentimentality.

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Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1878.

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