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THE GABBLE HAS COMMENCED.

Oregon's staid and stilted capital is now assuming an airy and coquettish air as an old maid of 40 summers when the lively young beaux begin to swarm around Salem. It is having her intellectual Madrid. The biennial session of the state legislature convened last Monday, and the corridors of the capitol have been turned into a whispering gallery where no man recognizes the voice at his elbow. It is here that trained intellectual skill, keen political fluency, cold, shrewd cunning comes in contact with congenial dullness, sordid capidity, blase inexperience and innocent incapacity. The "bunch grass" member hobknobs with the business-like representatives from the towns, and the dignified mid-valley senator "wines and dines" with the shrewd and saucy member from the metropolis. The majority of these members honestly wish to legislate decently and fairly in the interests of their constituents, others expect to do nothing except make a noise, and they usually succeed in raising a "racket," while a limited few (we hope the number is limited) are there "for the money that's in it."

"Junketing" committees will soon be running about over the country drawing salaries and mileage, but doing nothing except expending the people's money. Mileage will be reckoned by the longest imaginable route and made constructive in every instance possible. Representative A will vote for a measure that Senator B wants to "log-roll" through on condition that B will vote "aye" for A's pet hobby. It is a system of barter and trade, swapping of votes for "log-rolling" purposes rather than fair, candid, conscientious legislation.

The people don't rule. The lobbyist, who takes toll at both ends of the road, is their master; the shrewd lawyer, who drafts bills so as to read both ways, does the literary coining of the laws that go upon the statutes, and the crafty politician, who is the purchased tool of capital, does the wire pulling and sees that the bill is railroaded through. However, a few honest bills drafted by honest men and pushed through by honest votes occasionally see the light of day and at last grace the pages of the session laws. It is in this way that the confidence of the people is maintained and the credit of their representatives floated at par. But as a rule the average legislator is a more worthless piece of human coin than the silver dollar is a money metal.

Each passing day only increases the probability that President Cleveland will convene congress in extraordinary session after March 4 next. The Carlisle currency bill is practically dead, and no amendment yet offered gives any promise of receiving a majority vote of congress. The gold reserve is in a bad way and the president, Secretary Carlisle, congress and the country at large recognizes that the government of the United States must either issue gold bearing bonds indefinitely or go into bankruptcy, unless a financial policy is adopted by congress which will give immediate relief to the treasury. If the democratic party has neither the courage nor the brains to meet the emergency, by all means call an extra session of congress and give the republican party an opportunity to give the country needed and wholesome legislation. At least give them an opportunity to try their hand.

It is current newspaper talk that Representative Smith, of this county, will introduce a bill before the legislature making the collection of state, county and school taxes semi-annual instead of annual, as under the present law. We can see no valid reason why this would not be a good law, inasmuch as it makes the payment of taxes less burdensome upon the taxpayer. It is easier to make two fifty dollar semi-annual payments than it is to make a single payment of the total amount. By such a law the state would no doubt lose something in interest money, but this loss to the state would be more than compensated in lessening the burden of taxation upon the people. We shall watch with considerable interest the expression of public sentiment on this subject.

BROTHER GRAVES, of the Lafayette Times, calls us down for classifying his paper as a republican sheet. We heartily apologize with a contrite heart, for we have a vague realization of the intense disgust which a "strictly independent" sheet must feel to be denominated a republican journal. Perhaps our good brother's brief but pointed declaration of principles may be a relief to his republican contemporaries. There is a wide divergence of taste in this matter, you know. The Enterprise has only congratulations to offer.

The Statesman editor is badly afflicted with an attack of political jimjams. In Sunday's issue he says: "A vote against Dolph is a vote for repudiation, populism, the calamity howlers and the devil."

In business, in legislation and in social organization. The legislation of this state has been dominated by conservatism, by the senility of age and the worn-out methods of older commonwealths which have nothing in common with the social and industrial environment of the Pacific Northwest. The young men of Oregon are in touch with the needs of the hour, and the spirit of the age in which they live. They are progressive in their ideas and methods of thinking. They are not shackled by the traditions of a bygone era, or loaded down by the methods of the past. They live in the present and have faith in the future. They are optimists, not pessimists. They have an abiding faith in the wonderful future of this mighty empire of the West, and they will work with a courage born of their splendid convictions. The future of Oregon is in the hands of her young men and we have faith in their ability, integrity and honesty to lead our native state upward and onward towards the goal of her future greatness.

SENATOR DOLPH'S election is now and has been practically a foregone conclusion ever since the state election last June. We expect to see Mr. Dolph returned to the senate, because he is politically the logical nominee of his party; he has the powerful influence of the money power behind him; he is in touch with the great railroad corporations and has the prestige of a certain kind of leadership in the senate; he is a special pleader for the class who represent the "privileged few" and has little if any sympathy with the toiling millions who live by "the sweat of their brow." He is undoubtedly amply supplied with the "sinews of war" which win votes when all other means fail. Wall street has need of his services in congress, for his position on the money question is identical with that of all the great stock markets of the world. That the distinguished senator is endowed with a royal intellect and is equipped with splendid resources of scholarship is admitted, but he does not represent the sentiment of the majority of the people of Oregon upon many vital questions now knocking at the doors of congress for solution. However, he will be Oregon's next senator. The first ballot will decide that question.

Following are the appointments of M. E. church south of Independence: Louisville, Ky., at 11 a. m.; Independence, 20 Sunday, morning at 11 a. m.; evening at 7 p. m.; Peedee, Md. Sunday at 11 a. m.; Long View at 7 p. m.; at Sunday, Independence morning and evening.

J. M. TURNER, Pastor.

Stockholders Meeting.
 Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Independence Water and Electric Light Co. will be held at the Independence National Bank, Independence, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 25th day of January, 1895, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers for said company and attending to such other business as may come before said meeting.

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Clark Groves, one of Dallas' best young men, left us last week for Independence, where he will engage in the livery business. He has leased a stable near the hotel at our neighboring city, and took with him from this place several rigs to equip it. All of Clark's friends wish the young man well in his new venture.

And still pilfering goes on. Mr. John Webster, east of town, had 40 bushels of barley, sacked, in a neighbor's barn. The other day he went to remove it, but found it not, somebody having saved him the trouble by appropriating it. No clue to the thief. Somebody tried to get into W. W. Miller's smoke house the other night, but a good lock fooled them. They left evidence of their visit, however.

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Wm. Fouqua and W. Tom, of Parker, were doing the city on business Wednesday.

The Odd Fellows and the Rebekah degree lodges both installed their officers tonight.

M. L. Thompson, druggist of Falls City, was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Wm. P. Lord is now governor of Oregon. The inaugural ceremonies at the state capital yesterday were quite impressive.

J. Irvine, of McMinnville, who is here on business, visited the capital city Wednesday to witness the inaugural ceremonies.

If you need a good medicine to purify your blood, give nerve strength and build up your entire system, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It prevents sickness by making pure blood.

H. Mills and wife, of Newton, Kan., will arrive here about Feb. 1. Mr. Mills is the father of J. A. Mills, of this city, and he expects to locate permanently in Oregon. He is a prominent citizen of Kansas and is ex-mayor of Newton. There is always room in Oregon for self-respecting and self-supporting immigrants, and the more we have of this class of people the better it will be for the country.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Shafer, of this city, met with quite an exciting adventure last Saturday. They were on their way to Mr. Shafer's parents in Marion county, and while attempting to ford one of the tributaries of Mill creek, east of Salem, they suddenly found themselves, horse and buggy, in deep water. The horse, in its efforts to stem the swift current, broke the singletree and Mr. Shafer seeing that the situation was critical, managed to get the horse loose from the buggy, but in his efforts to get Mrs. Shafer upon the horse she slipped and fell into the water and was submerged to her waist. Mr. Shafer held on to his wife's hand and finally they both managed to reach the shore, but in very bedraggled and wet condition. They were fortunate in escaping as luckily as they did.

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On New Year's night there was a big party at the home of Wm.

Ridgeway on Mill Creek and about 100 persons took supper there.

Miss Margaret Brunk, who has been an invalid for years and is now in Salem, will come to live with her sister Mrs. Holt McDaniel.

They now have a sure enough soap factory in operation at Independence. There are some energetic and ambitious fellows in that burg.

Evangelist Ross had arranged and engaged to be here Jan. 10th but he is now very sick and there is no certainty as to when he can come. He has been holding some remarkable successful revivals in California.

During the year 1894 D. M. Calbreath kept an average of 45 hens from which he sold \$67.25 worth of eggs. During that time they eat \$19.45 worth of wheat, the only feed they had, leaving a profit of \$47.80 besides all the eggs the family used and three dozen young chickens. The highest price received was 25 cents and the lowest was 8 cents.—Parker Cor.

Married Jan. 9, at the home of the bride's uncle, L. B. Martin, in Dallas, W. A. Hamilton, of Salem, to Miss Agnes B. Winnall, of Independence, Rev. Geo. Gillespie officiating. For several years we have known the bride as a good teacher and most exemplary young lady and also the groom as among the most prominent business men of the capital city. Mrs. Hamilton has a host of warm friends among our readers.

(Observer.)
 Mr. Oscar Hayter, who is with Mr. John Clark in the abstract business at Oregon City, returned to his home here, Wednesday evening, badly afflicted with rheumatism.

Hon. S. D. Gibson, the member from this district, and of our county, to the state board of equalization, does his work well in behalf of all his constituents. We are proud of him.

On Wednesday evening, some boys made a bad disturbance at the public school house, where a writing school was being organized. The boys, most of them, were apprehended, and should be taught a lesson that such work don't pay.

Postmaster Grant had a narrow escape from being drowned while returning from a hunt, Monday. In attempting to cross the McCreek at the tannery ford, his horse fell with him in deep water, and it took considerable scrambling to get out.

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Your shoes, you'll be able to do twice as much work, and do it easier than if you are nagged and worried by some little pain. It takes all a man's mind to make his business a success. If he divides it up between his business and an aching corn or gall, what then? It costs a good deal to wear ill-fitting shoes.

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To write a convincing advertisement about harness and saddlery now-a-days. All dealers claim so much, and most of them too much, for the discriminating reader to believe. All we do is to try and get you to examine our stock, and compare our prices with those of other dealers.

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