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Senator Loughary has in charge a bill to raise the salary of the County Superintendent of schools. Representative Cooper has a bill for raising the salary of the County Treasurer; Representative Fawk, a bill affecting the salary of the sheriff. Neither has been introduced up to the time this issue goes to press and it is not likely they will be. The salary of the School Superintendent is \$1000 a year with \$200 allowance for traveling expenses. In addition, the present Superintendent further increases his receipts by collections from those at whose instance he attends school meetings. The Treasurer's salary is \$750 a year which is really low considering the bonds required of that official. Representative Fawk's bill makes very little change in the matter of the sheriff's emoluments. It merely places his allowance wholly in the hands of the county court. The present court reduced the allowance for a deputy from \$65 to \$50 a month.

At last a flat salary bill has passed the Oregon legislature. It is known as the Kay bill which originated in the House and yesterday passed the Senate with little opposition. While the name of T. B. Kay, the murderer of the English language, is attached to the bill, it is really a newspaper triumph and in this case all will have to take off hats to the Capital Journal, for that paper has made a persistent and consistent fight for the law. The only possible thing now standing in the way of the measure is the Governor's veto which is not likely to be interposed. Under the present law, a number of men have been made rich as state printer and secretary of state while others have collected interest off state money while serving as state treasurer. The new law cut off all fees and perquisites and limits the Governor to \$5000 a year; Secretary of State to \$4500; Treasurer, \$4500; Attorney-General, \$3600.

Miller's bill for one Normal school only lost in the senate by a vote of 17 to 12. Consideration of the bill brought out a heated discussion. In the course of the discussion Hodson sprang a sensation by submitting figures secured from Normal school principals appearing before the ways and means committee and from their biennial reports. The figures showed for 1904 a percentage of local attendance at Ashland of only 31; Monmouth, 30; Weston, 45; Drain, 50, living within two miles of the school, and 66 2-3 in Douglas county. The percentage of attendance engaged in teaching at Drain is 25; Ashland, 53; Monmouth, 65; Weston, nothing. The number of graduates from Drain, 2; Ashland, 29; Monmouth, 51; Weston, 14. Cost to the state of each graduate—Drain, \$3,478; Ashland, \$383; Monmouth, \$385; Weston, \$714.

As a result of the agitation over stock inspection in Polk county, a stock inspector bill has passed both houses of the legislature. According to the new law, it is not necessary to obtain a bill of health from the starting point when there is a federal inspector at the other end of the line. W. W. Percival, a stock shipper of Independence, was one of the bill's strongest supporters.

The press of the state generally, condemns the Oregon legislature for "butting" into the government land fraud investigations by passing resolutions expressing belief in the innocence of Senator Mitchell, now under indictment. The Salem Statesman, controlled by the Mitchell wing of the party, announces in glaring headlines that it is a legislative white-wash.

The prospects are the appropriations of the present legislature will aggregate two and a quarter to two and a half million dollars.

The appropriation for the different Normal schools should be separate allowing each to stand on its own merits.

The legislature will adjourn next Friday evening.

Now look out for vetoes.

The legislature has had the public ear for the past five weeks. Governor Chamberlain and his vetoes will claim front page space awhile now.

One of the results of the recent decision of the boundary dispute between Canada and the United States is the inclusion in the territory of Alaska of a region lying west of the Lynn Canal, which, exploration shows, possesses an extraordinarily genial climate, considering its high northern latitude. This climatic mildness is thought to be due to the influence of a warm current in the neighboring ocean. Spring and summer are so warm there, and the soil is so good, that it is believed the land will grow many kinds of fruits, including apples, peaches and various kinds of berries. Settlers have already many garden vegetables, and rich and beautiful grasses and flowers are indigenous to the soil. The native Indians have hitherto been but little studied, and it is said they show evidence that their race formerly possessed a comparatively high degree of civilization.

Don't waste your time. You will need it all before you die.

Always be on time—and you will have to wait for the other fellow.

The fellow whose courtship drives him to bankruptcy has no business wondering why marriage is a failure.

The oftener Cupid hits the mark the more Mrs. he makes.

A man may have a large following simply because he doesn't pay his bills.

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Begins with the symptoms of a common cold; there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liniment to the throat.

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The Risk Officers Run To Batwe.

One of the remarkable features of the war in the east is the proportion of officers in the casualty reports, particularly on the Russian side. While no figures are available from which accurate information may be obtained, unofficial estimates after the battles of Liayang and Shakhe placed the number of officers killed and wounded in both armies at a much higher figure in proportion to the total than the study of other modern wars had led the experts to expect. Regarding the Japanese, it is said that the impetuosity of the younger officers has a strong bearing upon this phase of the casualty reports, while of the Russians some persons, even in General Kuropatkin's army, have alleged that raw troops have deserted their officers in the face of the enemy's fire. This was charged particularly of several Russian regiments at Nanshan hill. Other correspondents have accused Russian officers of deserting their men, and it is said that Lieutenant General Count Keller lost his life through exposing himself in a white uniform in order to present an example to his subordinates.

During our civil war the loss in officers killed and wounded in proportion to their number was in excess of that of the men. Of the total number killed and wounded during the war there were 6,365 officers and 103,705 enlisted men, or one officer to sixteen men. At Gettysburg the officers lost 27 per cent as against a loss of 21 per cent from the ranks. At Shiloh the officers lost 21.3 per cent, the ranks 17.9 per cent.

In the Franco-Prussian war of 1870 there was a remarkable excess of loss among the German officers. The percentages of killed and mortally wounded in the entire German army were: Enlisted men, 3.1; line officers, 8; staff officers, 9.6.

Robert Louis Stevenson.

Writing in the London Sphere, Mr. Clemence Shorter takes up the cudgel to dethrone Stevenson in this wise:

Any half dozen critics who are in agreement can easily place a man on a pinnacle, and the rest of the writers in newspaper land will follow blindly in his praise. Let it be granted that Mr. Stevenson was a pleasant writer, that his "Treasure Island" is a capital book for boys, that his "Master of Ballantrae" is a readable story for grownups, that his "Virginian Furieuse" is a remarkable volume of essays and that in his "Child's Garden of Verses" there is much to please the little ones. Certainly Stevenson was an industrious and an agreeable writer, and he had a sense for style that few have today. But that is quite another thing to his being a great writer, which, to read some of the eulogies that have been passed upon him, one might be misled into assuming.

The great writers of every epoch are those who strike a new note, who break away from convention. Not in one single department of his literary work did Stevenson break away from convention.

But the readers are not few who remember that they turned to Stevenson as a relief from the conventionality of the dominant schools when he stepped into the arena. In fact, a love of fiction was restored to many backsliders by reading "Treasure Island," "Kidnapped" and "Master of Ballantrae." Some measure of greatness must be accorded to a writer who wins and holds the allegiance of two continents. A half dozen critics and "the writers of newspapers" may start an author's boom, but he must deliver the goods or else not live to become the subject of serious criticism. Stevenson is read and reread by adults who were brought up on the masters of fiction.

Balzac Too Big For Mere Art.

Mrs. Craigie, the English novelist, who is also known by the pen name John Oliver Hobbes, thinks that the French master of romance, Honoré Balzac, was too broad to be tied down to petty technicalities. She says:

He was not a supreme artist, and there is a great deal of justice in Sainte-Beuve's bitter epigram to the effect that Balzac was "too big for the armchairs of the French academy." He was too "big" for art. His interests and sympathies and studies "arried him everywhere. He studied to learn the motives and grounds and causes for the actions of men. He was as little able to produce a work of technical perfection in the manner of De Maupassant as a diamond mine could, by some magic of nature, evolve such an exquisite example of the stonemason's craft as can be purchased in the Rue de la Paix.

Mrs. Craigie says that Balzac was influenced by Sir Walter Scott, by Lord Byron and by Victor Hugo, but nevertheless he always maintained his own spiritual attitude toward the world he studied and his own inimitable self command in observation.

Count Cassini, who is now serving the czar as ambassador to the United States, has been in the diplomatic service half a century. Russia's leading generals and admirals and the czar's chief counselors and ministers are men of advanced age. Some day, and that before long, young Russia will come into power, and the empire may then get in step with modern progress.

By the czar's decree one month's service at Port Arthur is regarded as a full year in the army. Most men would rather spend a lifetime under arms in Russia than to have been with the garrison of Port Arthur in the last five days of the siege.

Because Russia seized Port Arthur England took Weihaiwei and Germany Kiaochau. Japan may yet insist on a general return of stolen property.

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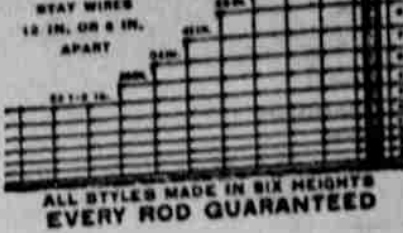
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FOR SALE—W. T. Haley, Independence, has a few nice young full blood Blue Andalusian roosters, price \$1.00 each.

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Mrs. W. L. Bice.

INDEPENDENCE OREGON.

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