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The Milton Eagle apologises for the hold-up of the minority. The extra expense created thereby is satisfactory to the Eagle.

Who asserts that Mitchell has attempted to dictate the selection of the speaker of the house? The Oregonian.

Four of our representatives at Salem know what public sentiment in this county is and they do well to array themselves with the people and against the tricksters.

The Milton Eagle thinks it base for Mitchell to advise in the matter of choosing a speaker. Well, suppose he did.

It is of public notoriety that President Simon sympathizes with the obstructionists in the house if he does does not direct them. Now it would be in order for the quorum disposed senators to break the quorum in that body and bring Mr. Simon off his high horse.

The new immigration bill has passed congress and now goes to the president for approval. As finally passed an educational test is applied to all foreign immigrants whether men or women.

There are a lot of State Senators with a sturgeon backbone. On Monday President Simon ruled that he would hold no communication with the house as it is now organized, and dared the opposition to question his ruling.

Clatsop county selected a democrat last June, for representative in the legislature, who at this crisis exhibits a patriotism that rises above factional partisanship.

The Oregonian states that Misner, of Crook county, and Lake, of Benton county, have deserted the houses, leaving that body with 29 members.

The men to occupy McKinley's cabinet are being announced from day to day and give assurance of a strong administration. John Sherman of Ohio who has been in public life at Washington for almost forty years is to be Secretary of State.

The republicans of the house thought they had a right to organize with a majority. It has not been yet shown that they had not. It is true Ex-Antony General Williams allowed himself to be interviewed by the "Oregonian" and stated that such organization is illegal.

INTERNATIONAL TREATIES.

On Monday, the 11th day of the present month, the general arbitration treaty between Great Britain and the United States was signed by Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote, representing the two countries concerned.

Whatever opposition appears against the treaty may be summed up somewhat as follows: jealousy, that we have no basis in reason and will not be guided by reason, against England; the fear of statements, whose proper names are log-rolling, wire-pulling politicians, that the ratifying of this treaty by the senate will rob them of one fruitful source of creating factions and international problems in their own neglect of real and serious problems in our national life.

From every decent point of view, therefore, it seems to us that we ought to urge upon our senators the ratification of this treaty. The people of this part of the Northwest are too intelligent in their thinking to be led astray by the organ whose declarations on this matter are on a par with its absurd statement that there is more real liberty today in Russia than in England.

There is another point about President Simon's ruling last Monday touching the organization of the house. It is completely unmasked his position and that of his supporters. Every one now knows that Simon, Bourne and Barkley have combined, whereas before only a few saw the close corporation.

A SUGAR REFINERY. A company has been organized in Portland with a capital of \$500,000 to build and operate a beet sugar factory in Oregon.

The company declares that it will not be able to build the factory, buy 24,000 acres of land and cultivate to beet. Dependence must be on the present land owners.

The conditions that will locate the factory is nearness to a distributing center economy in transportation and a willingness on the part of farmers to cultivate 2,000 or more acres of land in beets.

The new governor of Colorado said in his inaugural that Colorado would grow and prosper were she completely surrounded by Jefferson's sea of flame or John Adams' wall of brass.

Apparently the agreement reached with the organization committee of the Union Pacific railroad is the best arrangement for the government which was possible under the circumstances. The government is to receive on its loan on the Union Pacific at least \$45,754,000, including the sinking fund, which is a sum much larger than anyone heretofore supposed would be realized.

THAT POPULIST MANIFESTO.

The populist and democratic members of the legislature have entered into a combination with the republican faction that bolted the nomination of the republican state convention and tried to defeat the election of candidates that they assisted in nomination for the purpose of defeating the organization of the house.

PROPOSED SALARY LAW.

A lot of the fellows at Salem are tinkering with amendments to the law governing the salaries of the County officers. Among so many nothing will be done or else an ill advised measure will be enacted that will be unjust in its provisions.

Section 2 relates to salaries of county clerks, which are fixed on a scale from \$1000 to \$2000. Deputies are allowed in a number of counties. In Multnomah county the salary shall be \$3200, and the clerk may appoint as many deputies as the county court may authorize.

Section 3 provides salaries for recorders of conveyances and for deputies in certain instances. The recorder of conveyances for Multnomah shall receive \$3000, and shall have as many deputies as may be allowed by the county court.

Section 4 provides for the manner of payment of salaries, and declares that none of the officers shall receive any fees or other compensation whatever, with certain exceptions.

Section 5 provides that a sheriff shall receive the same compensation as now for board of prisoners; he shall receive for himself all special rewards, and the usual fees for transportation of prisoners and insane.

Section 6 provides for the compensation of coroners as at present. Section 8 prescribes the duties of circuit and county court clerks. Trial fee shall be \$10 for cases involving over \$500, and \$5 for less, except in probate proceedings.

Section 10 provides for withholding any official's salary when it is discovered that he has failed to turn over fees to the county treasurer. Section 12 fixes the salaries of county treasurer from \$900 in Curry county to \$1,800 in Multnomah.

Section 13 provides that assessors shall receive \$5 per day in counties west of the Cascade mountains, except in counties to be hereinafter named; and \$4 east of the Cascades, with the same exceptions. The assessor of Multnomah county shall receive \$6,000 per annum.

Section 14 provides that county courts may make a reasonable allowance to sheriffs and other officers for expenses incurred in the performance of their legitimate duties.

The report that is current in Salem to the effect that the people of Washington County sympathize with the legislative obstructionists is simply false. There are a few republicans here who did not prefer Mitchell for senator, but they now say "select Mitchell and get about the business of the session."

Senator Sherman caused something of a sensation in Congress this week when he declared that governmental digging, owning and operating of the Nicaragua canal is the only feasible one and that all private efforts in the direction had proven failures.

Two sentences occur in the Oregonian of the 23d, though in separate articles. The statements are a little surprising and difficult to reconcile unless on the hypothesis that there are two writers on that journal, who did not compare their manuscript before sending them to the composing room.

A REPUBLICAN VOTER.

There is a senatorial deadlock in Utah, Idaho and Washington, some include Oregon, but it would not be locked here long if the legislature could ever get in a condition to vote.

The Oregonian is quoting the free silver utterances of Senator Mitchell. Wonder if that organ would feel chagrined if its free trade utterances of not many months ago were reproduced.

It was foreseen that Jos. Simon, president, would make arbitrary rulings in the interest of his gang; hence other aspirants were encouraged to stand for president. At the last hour they gave up the contest. The mistake made by the people's representatives was that they did not organize as the Simon gang cliqued.

"If I had the privilege," says Cardinal Gibbons, "of modifying the constitution of the United States, I would not expunge or alter a single paragraph, a single line or a single word of that immortal instrument."

The people now commence agitating the question of exacting a pledge from legislative candidates in 1898 to the effect that they will not vote for any bill carrying an appropriation for paying deficiencies in any way connected with this session of the legislature.

The Oregonian replies to the criticisms of the Country Press which has taken the metropolitan daily to task for setting so high an estimate on Judge William's "Opinion" touching the organization of the house.

The Congressional Library, which is soon to be placed in the new and magnificent building erected for the purpose, comprises over 740,000 books, 250,000 pamphlets, and about 300,000 numbered periodicals.

So the Simon-Bourne cabal have worked upon Misner till he is to withdraw from the house. All right he has taken the oath of office so that there is no question of his membership.

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Lot No. 2 of the Five Oaks subdivision containing 15.92 acres. All situated in Washington County, Oregon, and to-wit: hereinafter named sums, and for the costs and expenses of said sale, the following described real property, to-wit: Being a portion of land in sections 12, 13 and 14, T2N, R2E, containing 15.92 acres, more or less, and being the same land conveyed to John Aniker and Gustav H. Sierck by James H. Walker by deed dated June 14th, 1894, and recorded on page 38 book 10 of the records of deeds in the office of Recorder of Conveyances for Washington County, State of Oregon, to-wit: the several and sundry sums and for the costs and expenses of said sale, and said interest.

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