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THE FOWLER BILL.

At another place mention is made of the bill on currency preparing by Com. Fowler. It changes our treasury and currency system in three places. The first (two seem reasonable and safe enough). The objection to U. S. currency, greenbacks, is that they constitute an endless chain for drawing gold from the government vaults. The currency is presented for gold exchange and at once returned to circulation and then presented for more gold. By the Fowler method the greenbacks are to be used by the banks for their reserve fund. This use will make them desirable and will practically retire them from circulation. This breaks the chain.

The second change is proper. If a private individual or corporation may use the banks as a place of deposit so may the government. The government is to be further preferred in that it is to receive two per cent interest on its deposits. This is denied private depositors.

It is the third change that is radical. National bank currency is now secured by U. S. bonds deposited with the treasury. By the new plan a \$10,000,000 fund is to be raised to pay the issues of defaulting banks. This fund is to be raised by the deposit of gold certificates or U. S. bonds amounting to five per cent of the bank issue by the two per cent interest received on government deposits in banks and by a one per cent tax on national bank circulation. After the fund of \$10,000,000 is in hand, it will probably be ample security for the circulation of national banks. But how will the proposed legislation affect our bonds? Now our bonds are sought by national banks to serve as a basis for circulation. The demand is active and the market price is above par so that the rate of interest has been shrinking from six per cent until now it is only two on many of our obligations. If the demand on our bonds is cancelled will they not a once go below par and to replace them when they become due will we not have to allow a greater rate of interest than we now pay. This credit currency is a puzzling thing and it is to be feared that Congressman Fowler's scheme does not solve the problem.

STATUS OF THE TURKISH QUESTION.

The eastern question of the days of Palmerston, Gladstone and Disraeli has undergone a revolutionary change in recent times. In the days when these statesmen ruled the destinies of the British empire, the status of Turkey in Europe was a leading feature in international affairs. The balance of power on the continent was supposed to depend upon the preservation of the integrity of the Ottoman empire. It was for this reason that Russian encroachments on Turkish territory were so strenuously resisted.

The Far Eastern question has, in late years, completely overshadowed the Eastern question of the latter half of the nineteenth century, as China has become the center of interest in the maintenance of the balance of power, which through the participation of the United States in the disposition of the empire's affairs, has been carried beyond the limitations of continental Europe and assumed world-wide proportions. The Turkish question, in fact, no longer involves the question of the maintenance of the balance of power, but the preservation of peace. As such the United States has been drawn into the European vortex to intervene in Turkish affairs, and will probably be an important factor in their future settlement.

Under the new adjustment of international affairs it would be nothing strange if the Sultan were compelled to move out of Europe. Now that the integrity of his dominions is of no consequence in the maintenance of the balance of power among the principal nations of earth, the question of his methods of governing his subjects comes prominently to the front. This has always been a disturbing element in the empire. It is now menacing the peace of the world. The question of religious faith is a matter of smaller consequence, although it cuts a figure in the present situation because Turkish misrule is largely influenced by Mohammedanism. The great powers may find it necessary to drive the Turkish government across the Bosphorus and partition Turkey in Europe among themselves in the interest of peace and order. Doubtless the religious aspects of the present trouble will then disappear, as the introduction of a wise and just system of administering a stable government will pro-

duce among the Mohammedans and Christians population the same harmonious results as have been produced in Egypt and elsewhere among people of different creeds. The march of human progress and the interests of the world's peace are crowding the Turk and his barbarous methods out of Europe, and his disappearance from that theater of activity will favor both without disturbing the balance of power in the least.—Albany Herald.

It may be added that when driven into Asia the Turk must surrender church and state. The Ottoman nobles may rule in Asia, may even now in Europe if they will permit religious freedom. That they must do wherever their capital. Already the United States is at Beirut on the coast of Asia opposite Arabia for no other purpose than securing the safety of American citizens and their interests which the doctrine of religious freedom undertakes to guarantee.

A convention to further the improvement of the Tennessee river so that navigation may continue through the year will meet at Chattanooga October 22. Congress has appropriated \$250,000 to continue the work at Colbert's shoals and the prospect of getting a permanent channel within a few years is good. The convention announced will be composed of delegates from all parts of the Tennessee valley. A water line at all seasons between St. Louis and Knoxville will be a great aid to commerce.—Omaha Democrat. The importance of the Tennessee is realized when it is stated that it either flows through or to the boundary of 12 counties in Tennessee, five in Alabama and three in Kentucky. Reckoning the opposite side of the river the number is nearly doubled. But comparing that stream to the Columbia, it sinks to the dimensions of a creek. The states touched by the Tennessee have an area of only 134,700 square miles, though that stream drains hardly half of the stretch. The Columbia states have an area of 250,000 square miles and drain almost every acre. If the one is entitled to favor at the hands of the nation, the other must not be neglected.

The war dogs are barking about Turkey and it really begins to look as though they will bite. A war between Turkey and some of her outlying colonies would be a bad thing for the people engaged, but for humanity at large there is no objection whatever. The Mohammedan religion does not produce the highest type of civilization, and its destruction would be a distinct gain.

The Oregonian and one McKenna have within the past few days been disputing about the use of superlatives, and prepositions when used for the terminal word of a sentence. The paper wrote "one of the greatest." The other objected to this, claiming that there is but one article that can be greatest, while "one of" indicates that there may be two or more. McKenna, as according to the books, in the right but may there not be a class that is "greatest" made up of individuals, and may not "one of" designate a unit of the class. The dispute on prepositions is brought on by printing "to grapple with." McKenna quotes authority to the effect that a sentence should never end with a preposition. The rule ought not to be violated and probably is not by writers of good English, but in the example above "with" is not a preposition in the sense that requires an object but in reality it performs the office of a suffix which ordinarily is joined to the word it supplements and becomes a part of that word. That is probably true of all words prepositional in form, whether they end a sentence or not. Indeed those little words commonly called prepositions may change an intransitive verb to a transitive. So the little book published by Prof. Ella Carson may not offer all be barbarous.

STATE PRESS.

The question Oregon people are asking is: Why is one-fourth the area of the state to be set aside as forest reserves? One thing is certain, all this reserve is not necessary to conservation of water supply. It is apparently necessary to conserve the interests of big corporations that have worthless scrip to exchange for valuable Oregon timber and that they may secure large contiguous holdings, these reserves are to be made. Undoubtedly the people of Oregon make a vigorous kick the additional ten million acres of forest reserve will be made and an effective stop be put to further development of the state's resources. While a petition signed by practically the entire population of the state may not change the situation, Oregon should let the world know at least that we brand such procedure as destructive of our growth and progress.—Eugene Register.

The New York Tribune's approbation of a proposal to present C. O. Smith with a testimonial will be echoed by every one with sufficient intelligence to appreciate the services rendered by the managing owner of

the Balmores. If Sir Thomas Lipton, the lawyer, is presented with a service of plate, why not the winner? From the salutatory notices accorded Sir Thomas it seems that we are in a fair way to place the unsuccessful on a pedestal and consign the victor to oblivion.—Oregonian.

It appears like Oregon is getting it in all quarters. Our lands are being placed in reserve, for God knows what; and now comes our dear officials who want to take Oregon's share of the national irrigation fund and divert it to other states, saying at the same time, when we get through at other places, why we will condescend to come to Oregon and do a little canal digging. Something should be done to make these officious officials understand that the people of Oregon want their rights, and want those rights fought for; in fact, want them so bad that they will not stand any official juggling with what is justly theirs. Oregon does not want what belongs to any other state, nor does she want any other state to get what is her own.—Prineville Review.

Within the limits of our own county, thousands of acres included in the Cascade forest reserve, rated at from 20 to 30 cents per acre prior to the creation of the reserve, have been exchanged for pine lands now worth from \$5 to \$10 per acre. But it is contended these practices benefit individuals and impoverish no one but the general government, it being considered legitimate to cheat the government—no wrong is done. But this wholesale system of graft has now assumed such gigantic proportions that the grafters themselves are becoming alarmed; hence the petty thief who is trying to secure 100 acres of forest land must be made an example of in order, perhaps, to deter somewhat the attention of the public from the large operators who are the real beneficiaries and who have or will receive the lion's share of the profits from the 16,700 square miles now withdrawn in this state.—Klamath Falls Express.

PROPOSED CURRENCY LEGISLATION.

Congressman Charles N. Fowler, chairman of the House committee on banking and currency, was in Chicago to confer with bankers on the details of the financial bill he is to introduce at the expected extra session Congress. Mr. Fowler has outlined the plan of his bill. It will include three leading features, each of which would represent an important change in the currency system.

The first feature provides for a retirement of the greenbacks or for their "impounding" through a stipulation that the banks be compelled to hold 40 per cent of their cash reserves in United States notes. As the National banks today are voluntarily holding \$163,000,000 of the greenbacks, Congressman Fowler thinks that this requirement would involve no hardships. It would, according to his idea, be an effective way of divesting the greenbacks of their power for harm.

The second feature is for the disposing of all public money in the hands of the government to get two per cent interest and be secured by a first lien on bank assets, the relationship between the government and the banks thus resembling the present relationship of states and municipalities to the banks where they keep their money on deposit. Deposits are not to be larger than 50 per cent of the paid-up capital of banks receiving them.

The third feature of the bill will be a provision for "asset or credit" currency. National banks will be permitted to put out such currency by depositing in the United States treasury gold coin or government bonds equal to five per cent of the amount so put out. This five per cent together with the two per cent interest on government deposits and a one per cent tax on notes thus issued, would constitute a "guarantee fund." When this "guarantee fund" amounted to \$10,000,000 the excess over this amount would be utilized in purchasing gold bullion for converting the greenbacks into gold certificates.

CANNING TOMATOES.

Scald, peel and core—that is, take out hard particles in the tomato, put in granite kettle; salt and pepper tomatoes. Be careful not to get too much in. Taste them and see that you have enough in. Cook till thoroughly done. Fill cans while boiling, and put them in a cool, dark place. The salt and pepper helps to keep them. If you let any light to canned tomatoes they will not keep.

OREGON STATE FAIR.

The fair this year was advertised as "bigger and better than ever before" and surely it will equal the expectation of every body. Everything is better. Exhibits of the different counties are far ahead of anything every brought together at any fair in Oregon; racing is better, never before in the racing history of Oregon has so fast horses been brought together

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horses are here from all the Western States; the horse stock is better and more of it, now a day, were built but every one is filled (nearly 100 are tied to the fence) with the finest stock that money and skill can produce.

The one exhibit that attracts more attention than any other is that from the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis. The analysis of all kinds of grasses, grains, butter, milk, cheese, etc., is very interesting and has no equal. It shows (in bottles) the article before analyzed, and after, showing the amount of water, body fat, etc.

Camping in the bar is becoming very popular and one can see tents all over the camping grounds, there are fully 200 tents in all, housing from two to ten persons each. Concessions are made to campers in every way possible. Their tickets cost one dollar for women and two dollars for men for the season, these are the only season tickets issued and those who do not camp buy day tickets. Those camping from Washington county are Wm. L. Davis and wife, M. C. Lincoln and wife, H. A. Rubie and wife, J. L. Smith and wife, J. F. Smith and wife, Chester Sloan, Forest Grove, J. W. Sewell and wife, and child, W. A. Withycombe, Farmington, Alex. Chalmers, Centerville, F. M. Heide and family, W. H. Wehrung and family, Wm. Schulmerich and family, E. L. Schulmerich, and Miss Jessie Schulmerich, Fred Olsen and wife, Scholle, W. J. Wall and family, J. J. Wirtz, Forest Grove, Mrs. Newell Macrum, Forest Grove, Frank Westcott, Forest Grove, O. R. Downs and family, Forest Grove, W. G. Thompson, Forest Grove, Mrs. F. A. Wolfe, Cornelius, H. Wehrung and wife, Frank Williams and wife, Dan J. Emerich and family, Scholls, Mrs. Chas. McKinney, Wm. Jackson and family, G. B. Inlay and family, R. H. Greer and wife, W. H. H. Meyers, Forest Grove, Chas. Talbot and wife, Corneilus, R. B. Collins and wife, Geo. Frost and wife.

Among the Hillsboro people at the fair Wednesday were: O. G. Wilkes and wife, E. L. McCormick, John Dennis, Judge Crandall, D. J. Burkhalter and family, Zona Wood, Wm. Ross, A. E. Handley, F. E. Handley, Joe Cawse, Geo. Stevens, Fred Stevens, E. J. Lyons, J. Feffer, Glencoe, Andy Jack, Farmington, C. M. Johnson, Farmington, Jasper Reeves, Cornelius.

The county exhibits this year are the best ever collected in this state, and it is doubtful if any other state can show the equal. The competition is sharp and many were surprised at the result, as friends of the four leading counties couldn't see any other way than that their favorite would win. Pork won first place, Linn second, Washington third, Marion fourth, Lane fifth, and Yamhill sixth. Douglas would have stood seventh, and the exhibit from that county been entered.

Of course the award is disappointing to us of Washington county, because we feel that the volume and quality of commercial products ought to have been more substantially recognized. Disinterested visitors declare that our exhibit was too large to take in at one view and that the judge could not at one glance know what there is in each aisle. A small exhibit permitted this. The judge, a,ologizes somewhat for his decision by saying the deciding feature in favor of Polk county was a number of varieties and arrangement. These elements it seems count at fairs, but it is doubtful if they will pass current with the industrial world and there is where the profit originates. We lost the first premium once before due to the same cause, but next year with products from the same fields and the same pastures, we took the blue ribbon. We can do it again that is providing our people consider a worth the candle.

The dairy exhibit this year is excellent, samples of butter and cheese being sent from every part of Oregon. Milk is separated in the building every day by the different firms who have their separators on exhibition and also made into butter in a like manner.

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The machinery and vehicle exhibit built the farmer could desire. Two different firms being represented in the vehicle line and numerous ones in the different lines of machinery. Everything is here from a plow to a threshing machine, and a light buggy to a heavy farm wagon. Every train is crowded, and this will undoubtedly be the banner year in attendance since the fair was started. President Wehrung is wanted everywhere, and if people had their way he would get no sleep or meals. If any one person deserves credit for the success of the fair he certainly does, as he is on his feet nearly every minute of the day.

One of the interesting things about the stock is the way the individuals are cared for scrubbed with soap and water, washed off with a hose, rubbed till dry and with blanket on, are put back in stalls. Undoubtedly the cattle feed more of the curry comb than the average horse.

Samples of condensed cream are exhibited both from Forest Grove and Hillsboro and are attracting considerable attention. The statement made by the Forest Grove factory as to the price of milk make the dairy men all over the state wish they could send their milk there. Of course as the Hillsboro condenser is only on a small scale as yet no statement is made by them.

W. L. Davis is here with Lovelace and five of his get special premiums. More young horses with Lovelace as sire, are winning money than from any stallion in the Northwest. They all go in an easy gait seldom break and are all strong at the finish.

Alex. Chalmers, of Centerville is here with a carload of cattle, some for show and some for sale.

Bentley E. George formerly of Gales Creek, but now of Marion county, are camped.

V. H. Behme, of Cottage Grove, who married a daughter of the late Robt. Imbrie, and family are camped here.

NOTICE.

The next Semiannual Session of the Washington County Veterans Association will meet at Hillsboro on Thursday Oct. 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m. We hope there will be a full attendance.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the County Court of Washington County, Oregon, appointed executrix of the last will and testament of John William, deceased, and has only qualified as such executrix, and that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them, with proper vouchers, to me, at my residence, near Gales Creek, Washington County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, Washington County, Plaintiff,

vs. Ira Hayman, Defendant.

To Ira Hayman, the above named defendant: You are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and suit on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of this summons, to-wit: on or before the expiration of six weeks next, from and after the date of first publication of this summons, the first publication thereof being on August 7, 1903, and if you fail to appear and answer, for want thereof, the default will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in her complaint, to-wit:

The marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant, dissolved that plaintiff may resume her former name, Ollie Rachel Cornelius, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may appear equitable. This summons is served upon you by publication by order of Hon. L. A. Ross, County Judge of Washington County, Oregon, which order was made at Hillsboro, Oregon, August 4th, 1903.

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