

It looks as though Quay would be unable to shake off that little "ex".

Republican extravagance is certain to be an important issue in next year's national campaign.

Germany and Spain are said to be again dickering over the sale of the Caroline Island.

Congressional prohibition of Cuban franchises is likely to lessen opposition to turning the island over to the Cubans.

It is reported from Washington that several ex-members of Congress are afraid to return to their homes. Some of them certainly ought to be.

We suppose the administration is proceeding on the theory that the more Filipinos our soldiers kill the easier it will be for our missionaries to convert the remainder.

New York health inspectors found clothing for soldiers, being made under contract with the war department, being used as beds by the inmates of sweat shops. More Algerism.

If a congress with a republican majority in only one branch appropriated more than a billion and a half, pray how much will a congress with a republican majority in both branches appropriate?

The request of the Commander of the Canadian Militia for authority to organize an army "to protect the frontier", will not be cited as a proof of growing cordiality between English speaking people.

When Secretary Gage publicly said shortly before Congress adjourned that he would issue Treasury certificates, if the money on hand was not sufficient, he added millions to the total appropriations.

In view of the talk of enlisting Cubans in the U. S. army, in Cuba, we rise to ask, if Cubans in U. S. be trusted to keep order, why cannot Cubans in Cuban uniforms be trusted sufficiently for our troops to be withdrawn?

If humanity impels us to shoot the Filipinos for their own good, why does not the same power cause us to a little shooting in China, where one of the greatest outrages in the world's history is being perpetrated by the so-called Christian nations, at the expense of China?

"Honest confession is good for the soul." The administration made an honest confession when it righted the wrong it had tried to impose on Winfield Scott Schley but it did not do the right thing until compelled by an expression of public indignation and by the refusal of the Senate to consent to the wrong. Schley is now a Rear Admiral, two numbers ahead of Sampson.

Mr. Duckery, who was the ranking democratic member of the house committee on Appropriations, in a statement deprecating the extravagant appropriations of the Fifty-fifth Congress outside of the war appropriations, calls attention to the fact that the estimated deficit of the current fiscal year will be \$150,000,000, and that for the next fiscal year \$100,000,000, making it probable that before the first of January, 1901 the government will have to choose between a further increase in taxation, another bond issue, and the issue of Treasury certificates of indebtedness to raise money that will have to be had.

The country asked congress for the Nicaragua Canal, and got another government commission.

We fail to see how it would benefit Mr. McKinley to get rid of Alger as long as he continues to submit to the dictation of Hanna.

The Standard Oil monopoly may find it necessary to go over and buy Chili, now that large deposits of petroleum have been discovered in that country.

The average white man would object most decidedly to serving in the same company with negroes; yet it is proposed to enlist mixed regiments of American whites and Cubans. The difference between Cuban mulattoes and American negroes is not visible to the naked eye.

It doesn't make any difference what the charge is on which the Winnipeg police have arrested Vatchley Alexandrovitch Dadicky. Any officer of the law outside of Russia or Poland would be at least excusable for locking on the bearer of that name with some suspicion.

Even a coffin trust has been organized, and monopoly marks every mile stone from the cradle to the grave. It is now in order for Evangelist Moody, Jones, et al., to get a corner on salvation—the only thing yet free to suffering humanity.

The school savings bank system, adopted in the public schools of Eugene, has gone into effect and the first day's result is highly satisfactory, says the Eugene Guard. Deposits will be received every Monday by the teachers, who in turn, deposit the amount with the savings bank in the name of each individual depositor. One cent or upward can be received by the teacher, when a pupil has a deposit of \$5 or more, a certificate of deposit will be given in the name of the pupil. Deposits of \$5 and over will bear interest at 3 per cent per annum if left on deposit six months; and if left one year, 4 per cent. The bank certificates are kept by the teacher or principal as long as the pupils attend school. If they leave the school the certificates will be given them. Arrangements will be made to continue the system through the summer vacation.

The Wool Situation.

The O. C. Co. of this city, on inquiry by a Herald reporter regarding the wool situation and price, let us read a letter from a prominent wool firm of Boston, dated March 14th, of which the following is a part:

"The market is dragging along on about a 40 to 42 cent clear basis according to the amount of staple there is in a lot. The way the situation is, there are very few lots that it would pay to take the staple out, as the balance is almost unobtainable, or brings so much lower price that it don't pay.

"The goods market has not developed the expected strength, and the demand is consequently rather slow. There are no signs of any improvement in values; and if it was not for the fact that domestic wool is comparatively in proportion to foreign, the situation would be more favorable to a decline. While we do not pretend to read the future, it looks to us to be good business policy to sell when good opportunities occur, but not to force sales at a sacrifice."—Huntington Herald

County Court.

Report of M. Horton road supervisor dist. No. 12 accepted. Clerk ordered to notify all road supervisors that were appointed at the Jan term that have not qualified to appear before the 1st of April and show cause why they have not qualified as by law required. Assessor ordered to assess all calves and hawks raised in this county during the spring of 1898 at year-ends. Treasurer ordered to pay state

taxes due from this county for the year 1898, on or before May 1st 1898.

In the matter of employing counsel to the meander line and W. J. Dunn road to the supreme court, G. W. Hayes was retained for the sum of \$210.50.

Dennis & Green awarded contract to paint the court house and out-buildings for the sum of \$185.

W. R. Gray, supervisor of road district No. 9, ordered to clean out well up the well at Windy Point with rock and build a stone wall around said well and repair the pump.

Dr. W. L. Marsden employed as county physician for one year from date expiration of present term at present contract price.

The following road supervisors have filed their bonds: Fred Oakerman, dist No. 1; J. T. Barnes No. 2; A. J. Wilson, No. 3; Seth Bower No. 4; J. P. Gearhart No. 6; Albert Altnow, No. 7; G. L. Buchanan No. 8; W. R. Gray No. 9; Grant Thompson No. 10; A. T. Clark No. 12.

The sheriff, clerk, treasurer, assessor and school superintendent ordered to deliver their books to C. H. Leonard and W. E. Huston that they may expert them.

C. H. Leonard and W. E. Huston filed bond, they were awarded contract for expunging county records.

In the matter of the taxes of A. Robbins for the year 1897 and the raise in the assessment of certain property as assessed for said year. The sheriff ordered to collect taxes as assessed by the county assessor for said year.

Probate Court.

Lucey Baker, executrix of the estate of T. N. Baker, deceased filed final account and released from further duties.

A. J. Wilson, guardian of the estate of Emma May Wilson, empowered to sell the real estate of his ward.

W. H. Hogan appointed administrator of the estate of J. Z. Hogan deceased.

Odd Fellows Lodge Instituted.

W. C. Bird, F. O. Jackson, E. J. Lamphire, "Dr." G. Hook, M. L. Lewis and Tom Times Herndon management to the Narrows last Saturday and instituted an I. O. O. F. lodge at that place. M. L. Lewis was special instituting officer and the lodge starts off with a good charter membership. We were well treated by the citizens of that place and none of the party had a kick coming at anything but the weather.

The new lodge will be known as Lake Lodge No 123 with the following officers for the present term: J. L. Hembree, N. G.; J. W. Curtis, V. G.; Guy Hembree, Secy; J. C. Simons, treasurer.

Harney City Election.

The municipal election at Harney came off last Monday and from reports they had a time. There were two factions, but one seemed to be very much in the minority. There were only 23 votes cast with the following result:

For president of the council, D. W. Claypool, 5; J. H. Logan, 21; councilmen, 2 years, (two highest elected) Wm Gray, 7; E. H. Klog 6; A. K. Richardson, 21; H. C. Turner, 19; councilmen 1 year (one to be elected) Wm Crawford, 18; M. A. Plovid, 12; treasurer, Joe Clark, 6; Robt Irving, 21; marshal, D. Richardson, 23.

Chinese Shepherd Found Dead.

A Chinaman who had been herding sheep for Judge Rutherford was found dead this morning near the road leading to L. S. Beer & Co's saw mill and about three miles from town.

He had been staying in Burns all winter where he was under the care of Dr. Marsden for some time for grip and had far enough recovered his health to go to herding sheep. Last Friday morning he was taken to the camp near the Rio Rock springs and was seen Saturday at which time he appeared all right. Judge Rutherford did not visit the camp Sunday and that evening was surprised to see some of his sheep coming to the ranch.

The Judge and Lee Robbins went out to the camp and found no herder and began searching for him. This morning John Worlow while

on his way to the mill, found the body about 50 yards from the road the dogs being with it.

The body was brought to town this afternoon under the supervision of Coroner Marsden and an inquest held tonight. It was learned from China Joe that the deceased was 39 years old. Had no relatives here, and was addicted to the use of opium, which habit he had been trying to quit and was in a weakened condition.

The jury brought in a verdict of death from natural cause as there were no marks or indications of violence. It is supposed he got lost in the snow storm and in his weakened condition became exhausted and layed down under a tree where he died.

The body will be sent to John Day for burial.

Additional Locals.

James Dalton is reported on the sick list this week.

S. S. Williams brought in the stage yesterday, the driver being sick.

Deputy Sheriff Mothershead has been kept busy the past two week with tax payers.

J. W. Biggs left to day for the railroad to meet Mrs Biggs who is on her way home from St Louis Mo.

Sheriff McKinnon and C. F. McKinney returned from Salem on the O-B stage today. They were accompanied by a little niece of E. B. London, who will make her home in Burns for the present.

What a magnificent country we would have if the big belt if sage brush land lying all over our valley could be irrigated. Along the road between Burns and the Narrows are thousands of acres of rich sage brush land which only needs water to make it produce anything one would wish to plant. The appropriation by the Oregon legislature for an experiment in artesian water will be of great benefit in developing this valley. In fact it will not be an experiment, here, as it was clearly demonstrated in 1894 that artesian water could be obtained here. Mr. Kellogg striking a very good flow when his drill got fastened and there the worked stopped.

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