

MONTANA STOCK LAWS.

This office is under obligations to W. G. Preuit, secretary of the State Board of Stock Commissioners, of Montana, for a copy of the state laws of Montana relating to stock and agriculture together with the constitution and by-laws and brand books of the Montana Stock Growers' Association with appendix publication. They were sent in response to a letter from this office and upon the solicitation of the Harney County Stockmen's Association. Mr. Preuit says in his letter: "We have very satisfactory laws here and a complete system of protection for the stockmen." In the limited time we had to examine the laws, we believe that the stock laws of Montana are the most perfect and provide the best protection that can be given to the stock industry.

We have not the space to devote to a synopsis of the laws, but will state that they are in accordance with the outlines given in these columns a few weeks ago. We would suggest an early meeting of the Harney County Stockmen's Association, that some action may be taken toward legislation in Oregon in their behalf. Those interested are invited to call at this office and see the Montana laws, if anything is to be done at this session of the legislature, immediate action is necessary.

The people of Burns would like to have electric lights and water works. The place is large enough to support such an enterprise and the party or parties that will put in the necessary machinery and start the plant will enjoy a very good profit from the start and will eventually reap big dividends from the investment. Our little city should not be behind its sister towns who are not any larger and who do not rank up to us in wealth and business. We have at least one man here that would put in a plant within 12 months from this time provided he receive sufficient encouragement from our citizens. By assuring support and a little aid at the start, water works and electric lights would soon be a reality. Why not give the enterprise a start in the same manner we did the long distance telephone? Let each business man subscribe whatever amount he feels able or desires to take and receive therefor coupons to be used when the plant is completed and in running order. Put the contractors under bonds to do the work and the thing is accomplished. Consider this matter. The party means business.

Now that we have a new fire engine, the city authorities should take the opportunity of re-organizing the fire department or arranging for a new organization would be perhaps, better still. We have no use for the engine without a well organized fire company to handle it. Nor do we want the whole population as firemen? The idea of 60 or 70 men, half of whom could do nothing in case of action, is foolishness. A chief should be appointed and the company should be made up of young men who will take an active interest in practice and who will work in harmony with the chief. Too many men would be an incumbrance and not so easily controlled. We want a fire company that is ever ready for duty at a moment's notice and it should be composed of men that have real interests to protect and not a member simply to get out of paying poll tax.

Since the above was in type the city council has met, and in a measure, carried out the suggestions. The recorder was ordered to have an ordinance drawn up to give the chief of the fire depart-

ment power to regulate the affairs of that department. Harry C. Smith was appointed chief with full power to act.

The legislature will do very little, if anything, until the matter of U. S. Senator is settled. A man to properly represent Oregon in the U. S. Senate, should not be measured by the length of his purse, nor what he has done for any particular section. We want a man who has influence and can accomplish something that would be of benefit to the state in general. We want no man that is all for Portland, nor do we want a man that is all for any other particular part of the state—we want a man to represent Oregon. In selecting such a man his fitness should be considered, not his purse. Do we want a man who in all probability will not live out the term of his office? Again, do we want to send a man who is not able physically to properly look after our interests? We have good timber in Oregon for the U. S. Senate, and we should be represented by such. When Dolph, Mitchell and Herrmann composed the Oregon delegation at Washington we received some recognition. Since then,—poor Oregon

Last year the teachers of the public school of Burns started a fund to put in a nice library for the school. Several books were donated by parents, pupils and teachers, and we understand some money spent in that direction.

One could not estimate the benefit of a school library. The people of Burns should investigate the matter, and see what books have been procured and what would be of most benefit to the pupils. Much could be done on this line if taken hold of in the proper spirit, that would aid very much toward establishing a good school library.

While the Burns school district has no money to burn and the special tax from year to year is some burden to those living in the district, there would be no "kick" coming, however, if the board would donate a little money toward fencing the school house block. The plat should also be put in better shape and a few shade trees, at least, planted to relieve the barrenness.

Instead of so much lamentation over the fact that Portland should have another big daily paper, the East Oregonian man should go straightway to the metropolis of Oregon and fill that much needed vacancy. According the statement of that paper its a "puddin'."

It is an unkindness of fate that the grip should be newly prevalent in Washington just now when so many statesmen of the outgoing Congress are about to lose theirs.—New York World.

According to advices received here, the Idaho legislature has returned Fred T. DuBois to the U. S. Senate. Senator DuBois is an able man and the people of Idaho are to be congratulated.

Pat Crowe is quoted pretty high. To catch him would yield \$63,000. Most of us would "eat crow" for that sum, says the East Oregonian.

The proposition of a town clock should be agitated. If ever there was a town that needed a town clock, it is Burns.

D. M. French, of Eastern Oregon, recently said to the Arlington Independent: "Our country of Eastern Oregon was never in a more promising condition than at the present time. All classes of industry are thriving, and farmers and stockmen enjoy an unprecedented prosperity. We have this year demonstrated to the people of the Willamette Valley that as a wheat-producing section we take the lead of every section in the state. The shortage of crops in the valley country I consider is a step toward advancement to that section."

OREGON LEGISLATURE ORGANIZED.

The Control of Senate Claimed a McBride Victory and the House Corbett.

Salem, Or., 14.—No delay was experienced today in organizing the 21st biennial session of the Oregon Legislature. Senator Fulton, of Clatsop, was made president of the Senate, and Representative Reeder, of Umatilla, speaker of the house. It all went like clockwork. A tentative effort of the McBride faction to make some kind of a deal with the democrats to beat Reeder was early abandoned, for the reason that it was impracticable. Fulton was the unanimous choice of the republican senate caucus. The slate prepared by Mr. Fulton's lieutenants on senate officers received the indorsement of the caucus and later of the senate. No candidate suspected of active sympathy with the Corbett campaign had much of a show.

The house caucus found no difficulty in arriving in its choice of a speaker, but had a somewhat protracted struggle over the minor officers. Three separate ballots were taken for mailing clerk. There was no slate, and every candidate was considered strictly on his personal merits and the size of his individual pull. Reeder polled the full republican vote, with the addition of Representative Shipley (Dem.), of Multnomah. The action of Shipley is not significant however, of his purpose to act with the republicans. He seems to have been moved by personal considerations. A. C. Jennings, of Lane, is in his office as chief clerk of the house, and S. L. Morehead is again chief clerk of the senate.

The house, which is clearly in the hands of Mr. Corbett's friends, rushed complete organization through today, under some apprehension that failure to elect clerks and employes might cause delay of the senatorial election.

The no caucus pledge appears to have been wholly dropped, at least for the present. Mr. McBride's supporters say that Senator Fulton's victory is first blood for them.

The Governor's message, it is expected, will be delivered before the legislature in joint session tomorrow. It is known that Governor Geer has devoted a great deal of thought and care to its preparation, and it is expected to be an uncommonly interesting document. Its length is in the neighborhood of 10,000 or 12,000 words. It was given to the printers this afternoon. No hint as to any particular recommendations can be obtained.

DREWSEY HAPPENINGS.

John Ott, of the Ott Milling Co was in town this week.

Will Altnow, who has spent the last three years in Montana, is among us, again.

J. P. Gearhart and Joe Holebo were in town Saturday to attend the I. O. O. F. lodge.

The material is on the ground for a new town jail. It will be built of stone and lined with lumber.

The last few warm days have taken off the snow, and we are having fine weather for ducks and web-footers.

Mr. Baker, who bought the Bartlett dance hall, is tearing it down to use the material for building small cottages to rent.

Jim Taylor has been quite sick for a while, but under the care of Dr. Standlee he is improving fast, and will soon be able to be about.

Ves Williams is keeping bachelor's hall while his wife is visiting relatives in the East. Ves looks as lonesome as does the name of educator, P. L. Campbell on Gov. Geer's text book committee.

A young man of Drewsey was asked by a young lady, the other day, to write in her autograph album and, after much meditation, mixed up the following:

Let the thistles in your yard grow tall.

They're the donkey's favorite weed.

When your other fellow comes here to call,

The son-of-a-gun can feed.

A suit arising from the disputed ownership of a horse, was tried before Justice Curl, this week; and was decided in favor of Lincoln Robbins, the defendant. Some very fine points of law were raised by the local attorneys, employed on each side, during a brilliant debate, from which they both retired

fairly plastered over with glory, and with a reputation that will gain them plenty of clients in the future.

Drewsey has been undergoing the worst kind of a smallpox scare, lately, and we have all crept timidly about town, expecting at every step to meet the dreaded "germ," who was described as, having whiskers like a populist and more arms and legs than a devil-fish; but the "germ" seems to have lost his sway, and now we go about without fear and draw a good long breath whenever we feel like it.

Novus Homo.

Notice to Creditors.

In the county court of the State of Oregon for Harney county.

In the matter of the Estate of Arthur Blawckley Paton:

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Thomas Fitzgerald Arnold, Executor of the estate of Arthur Blawckley Paton, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased to present the same with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice to said Executor, at the office of Hayes & Saxton, in Burns, Harney county, State of Oregon.

Dated this 23 day of Nov 1900. THOMAS FITZGERALD ARNOLD, Executor

Notice.

The firm of I. S. Geer & Co. having disposed of its interest in the Burns Milling Co., the accounts of that company must be settled at once. All outstanding indebtedness will be paid by I. S. Geer & Co. and all accounts due are payable to I. S. Geer & Co.

Dated October 1st, 1900

NOTICE.

To all Delinquent Taxpayers of Harney County: You will please take notice that in compliance with an Order of the County Court, made at the November term, for the IMMEDIATE collection of all Delinquent taxes due Harney County, I will on the 22 day of December, 1900, advertise the Delinquent Tax Rolls of Harney County as a whole. Costs of every advertising will be added to all taxes remaining unpaid on above date.

Dated this 22 day of Nov., 1900. GEORGE SHELLEY, Sheriff Harney Co., Or.

Oregon to Send Three Electors.

Stem, Or., Jan. 14.—Oregon's Presidential Electors met at the Capitol, at noon today and cast their ballots for William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt. It was the desire of the electors that all four should go to Washington as messengers, for the purpose of carrying the certified ballot, but, owing to business affairs, Mr. Ford could not go. The vote will, therefore, be carried by Messrs. Fullerton, Furnish and Faxton. The electors tonight sent the following dispatch to President McKinley:

"We have today cast the electoral vote of Oregon for you for President of the United States. We wish you health and happiness."

Where do you buy your tobacco? We buy direct from the tobacco factories and can sell you any brand of tobacco at less than any merchant in Harney county—N. Brown & Sons.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

T. S. LAND OFFICE AT BURNS, OREGON. January 5, 1901.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on February 16, 1901, viz: Perry H. Williams.

Homestead Entry No. 672, for the N1/2 SW1/4 SW1/4 Sec 4 and NE1/4 SW1/4 Sec 5, Tp. 26, S. R. 28 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Orville D. Rusk and W. B. Parker, of Burns, Oregon, Joseph Vanderpool, of Riley, Oregon, and J. A. Williams, of Van, Oregon. GEO. W. HAYES, Register.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. C. S. LAND OFFICE, BURNS, OREGON. December 1, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that Ollie M. Williams of Riley, Oregon has filed notice of intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on Saturday, the 10 day of January, 1901.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Orville D. Rusk and M. V. Baker, of Burns, Oregon, R. E. Williams and W. C. Cecil of Riley, Oregon. GEO. W. HAYES, Register.

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Fine Turnouts. Courteous Treatment. Hay and Grain Always Kept On Hand.

McCULLY & BERDUGO, PROPS.

The "Star" Saloon.

CLAUDE MCGEE, Proprietor.

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THE PUBLIC. Must not and will not forge. THE HILL HOUSE, MRS. H. B. SYMES Proprietor. NICE, LARGE AND CLEAN ROOMS. THE TABLE LAZEN WITH BEST IN THE MARKET.