

INDIAN IDEAS OF FUTURE LIFE.

The Iroquois and Hurons believed in a country for the souls of the dead, which they called the "country of ancestors." This country lies to the west, from which direction their traditions told them they had migrated. Spirits must go there after death by a very long and painful journey; climb many mountains and cross many rivers; and, just as the long-sought haven appears in the distance, the spirit must cross a long, narrow bridge and fight with a monstrous dog which stands guard at the west end. Weak souls are not equal to this task, and many of them are pushed over the narrow edge of the bridge into the rushing waters below, to be swept through dark canyons and over immense precipices forever. This road, according to the ideas of the two tribes mentioned above, is all on earth; but several of the Indian tribes consider the light band across the heavens which the astronomers call the "milky way" to be the path of the soul. The main body of the stars in this milky path they suppose to be human souls on their journey to heaven; the smaller ones to be the souls of dogs or other pet animals which are accompanying their masters to the land of bliss. It is curious and interesting to note that the British Columbian tribe of the Shanakos have a soul belief which is almost exact counterpart of that cherished by the old Israelites. They believe that every being has its double or shadow, a thin pale figure, seldom or never seen by mortal eyes, which after death descends to an abode beneath the earth and there leads a sad and gloomy existence. The Israelites called this place Sheol; the Shanakos knew it as "Etoea." Some Arizona and old Mexican tribes believe that the spirit is carried to the moon by a coal-black, monkey-faced owl; that upon arriving there it is met by its thousands of ancestors, who come with a train of white donkeys; that the spirit is then escorted to a large cavern in the center of the moon, where joy reigns supreme.

JOINT STOCK COMPANY.

The "Joint Stock Company" as the wagon road combination in the legislature was aptly called have declared their purpose to secure the 5 per cent fund for their roads notwithstanding the governor's veto. They will apply to the secretary of state for warrants on that fund, and in case he refuses to issue them, (which he certainly will do,) they will then apply to the courts for mandamus to compel the secretary to issue the warrants. This 5 per cent fund is 5 per cent of the net proceeds of the sales of public lands made at the several United States land offices in this state from and after the state was admitted into the union. The law of congress donating this fund to the states provides that it shall be paid to the state for the purpose of making public roads and internal improvements as the legislature direct. The "combine" now assert that it will not be necessary that the omnibus wagon road bill should be approved by the governor. In this they will be badly disappointed. The constitution directs that no bill shall become a law unless approved by the governor or passed by a two-thirds vote in each house notwithstanding the veto. The looters of the treasury will find it a difficult matter to get money out of the treasury except in pursuance of law. It is by no means uncertain that the supreme court will hold this fund as belonging to the school fund and therefore inapplicable to the scheme of building roads.

The Oregonian is displeased with the results of legislation. And well it might be. In a timid way it refers to the continual warfare carried on by the respective friends of Joe Simon and Jim Lotan in the senate, consuming the valuable time of the legislature, in determining which of these two should be the "boss" of the republican party in Oregon. It lacks the nerve, however, of pointing out the way by which the party might get rid itself of the "bosses." It is within the recollection of most of the people of the state when that paper faltered in denouncing "bosses" of the party, but now it raises no question against the re-election of the man of "youthful indiscretions" to the United States Senate, nor does it protest against the rule of the "bosses." People are saying on all sides that it has been "placated."

In Rhode Island a candidate for congress must receive a majority of all the votes cast to be elected. A plurality of votes is not sufficient. In the election in that state last fall the democrats elected one member, but in the other district they lacked a few votes of getting a majority. A special election was held in that district last Saturday when the democrats elected by a large majority, the republicans refused to contest the matter.

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Might not the governor veto the omnibus wagon road bill upon the ground that the fund out of which the construction of the roads was to be paid for is a part of the irreducible school fund of the state. When the constitution of the state was formed a provision was made in it that the 5 per cent fund which had been given to the state for internal improvement purposes, should be a part of the irreducible school fund of the state provided congress should consent to this diversion. Congress admitted the state with this provision in the constitution without question. This will justify the governor in regarding the fund as a school fund, and should therefore veto the bill.

So far as is known tea outranks coffee as a beverage by many centuries. According to a Chinese legend, the virtues of tea were discovered by the mythical Emperor Chingung 2737 B. C., to whom all agricultural and medicinal knowledge is traced.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the legal voters of school district No. 5, Linn county, Oregon, that the regular annual school meeting of said school district will be held on the first Monday, being the 2nd day of March, 1891, at the hour of 7 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the court house in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, in said district for the purpose of hearing the reports of the directors and clerk of said district, and to levy a tax for the support of the schools for the ensuing year. Also for the purpose of levying a tax for the purpose of paying interest on the bonds of said school district and the second instalment of the principal of said school bonds, due and payable June 15th, 1891, and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Dated this 18th day of February, A. D. 1891.

C. G. BURKHART, District Clerk.
J. K. WEATHERFORD, Chairman Board of Directors.

SCHOOL ELECTION NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the regular annual school election in school district No. 5, Linn county, Oregon, will be held at the Central school building, in said school district on Monday, March 9th, 1891, for the purpose of electing one director, to serve three years, and one clerk to serve one year. Said election to begin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day and continue until 6 o'clock p. m. of said day.

Dated February 25th, 1891.
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J. K. WEATHERFORD, Chairman Board of Directors.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.—Contractors and builders desiring to bid on the construction of the new United Presbyterian church building, to be erected at the site of the old building, will find the plans and specifications for the same, at the store of Stewart & Sox. The date of opening bids will be announced hereafter.

ANNUAL MEETING.—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Albany Building Association will be held at the office of the Albany Electric Light Co., on Broadway street, in Albany, on Monday, March 16, 1891, at 7:30 p. m., for the election of directors, and such other business as may come before the meeting.

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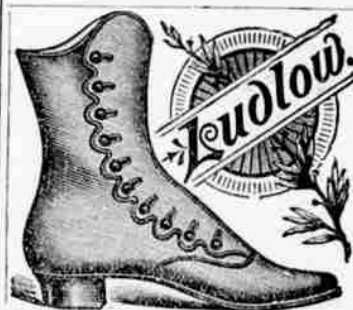
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