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THEY do say that the American push has transferred its saloon patronage since last Saturday evening.

THE state senate yesterday afternoon passed Brownell's bill for a constitutional convention to be held in September, 1902, to be composed of sixty-one delegates.

IT WILL be a severely cold day, colder than is found in the memory records of east Oregon's oldest inhabitant, when A. W. Ellis and William Stinson either "get left," or "get off wrong."

SUCH headlines as these: "Portland's Opportunity," "Oregon Should Arouse Itself," "Portland Must Bestir Itself," are decaying chestnuts in the morning and evening editions of the Webfoot metropolis' only paper.

KING EDWARD has resigned the office of grand master of Free Masons in England, which he held since 1874, but will continue his connection with Masonry, under the probable title of protractor. A special grand lodge will be summoned February 15, when it is expected the Duke of Connaught will be nominated to succeed his majesty as grand master.

AT Salem a senatorial caucus composed of a majority of the republican members of the legislature but not a majority of the legislature, was held Monday night. The committee appointed to invite the minority to meet with the majority reported that after interviewing the minority they were convinced that the minority will not join them in caucus. Anti-republicans and anti-caucus members also held caucuses, but no important action was taken.

A FEW days since nearly 500 of the boys who had been fighting in the Philippines were landed at the Presidio, either wounded, sick or insane. This is, in truth, a royal sacrifice to offer up to the God of Greed! These things can be endured by American youths when glory is the reward, but with this gaudy bauble entirely lacking, there is going to be, sooner or later, demanded an accounting from those who are responsible for this worse than useless, inexcusable war.

ALREADY has the attitude assumed by THE MINER in the Manning case been justified. The alleged "report" of the finance committee of the city council was merely a specious argument to prove the recorder guilty of a felony. The call for his resignation was a bluff, the committee apparently being aware of the fact that the legal method of impeaching an officer would not prove effective in this case. The public is quick to resent such unfair, bulldozing tactics and the council, reflecting this public sentiment of resentment, promptly turned down those who sought to thus use their recently acquired official positions to accomplish a personal, private object or desire.

IN ITS issue of last Saturday, the Baker City Herald confirms the report mentioned in THE MINER last week, that Letson Balliet had bought the smelter here. It gives as authority for the statement Mr. Balliet's general manager and attorney at

Baker City. The San Francisco Engineering and Mining Journal of February 2, says that the reputed purchaser, now in that city, would neither confirm nor deny the report. THE MINER and the people of Sumpter, generally, hope that the plant has fallen into the hands of so enterprising and successful a mining man. The continuous operation of the smelter will mean much for this camp. There is no doubt but that plenty of ore can be secured.

CHICAGO papers seem to be chosen now as dumping places for a lot of ungrammatical, slangy, boom advertisements of "mine promoters," who really ought to be employed as treadmill operators at Joliet. They advertise "Mountains of Gold," "Millions of Tons of Copper," etc., and wind up generally with the assertion that theirs is "the only sure gold proposition in America." How any sane man or woman can be induced to invest in these paper mining companies passeth the understanding of the average intelligent citizen. People who send money to these sharks who are allowed to use the United States mails to fleece the public, should be confined in a private asylum. This sad wicked world is no place for the innocents.—San Francisco Mining and Engineering Review.

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1:30 p. m.	Ar. Clifford	Lv. Austin	8:00 a. m.
1:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Austin	7:30 a. m.
7:10 p. m.	Ar. Austin	Lv. Clifford	5:00 a. m.

Connecting at Austin with stages for Canyon City and interior points.

1:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Bonanza	7:30 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	Ar. Bonanza	Lv. Clifford	6:30 a. m.

Connecting at Bonanza with stages for Pys, Robinsonville, Worley, Virginia, Don Juan and Belcher mines.

SUMPTER-GRANITE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Granite	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar. Granite	Lv. Sumpter	7:00 a. m.

Livery at Granite to North Fork, Red Boy, Banquette and adjacent mines.

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Bourne	9:30 a. m.
3:00 p. m.	Ar. Bourne	Lv. Sumpter	8:00 a. m.
3:30 p. m.	Ar. Columbia	Lv. Sumpter	7:30 a. m.

Including North Pole, E. & E., Climax, Ohlson and adjacent mines.