

Lebanon Express.

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THE GOVERNORS MESSAGE.

A tastily printed copy of the message of his Excellency, Gov. Penneyer, is before us. The Gov. is as full of advice as an egg is of meat. The following is a brief synopsis of his recommendations.

1. A change in the assessment law.
2. The abolition of useless commissions.
3. A law fixing maximum rates for railroad and telegraph companies.
4. A law empowering municipalities to fix maximum rates on all monopolies.
5. A law authorizing the Governor to employ a prosecuting witness.
6. A law giving to all State and county officers a fixed salary.
7. A general municipal incorporation law.
8. A change in the road law so as to have good roads.
9. Providing for the arrest and punishment of armed men in private employ.
10. The passage of an inheritance tax law.
11. The enactment of a law similar to that of Washington, exempting homesteads from execution and attachment.
12. Authority to School Land Commissioners to withhold from any county its school fund until all the state taxes have been received.
13. The creation of a State Auditing Board.
14. No further illegal appropriation of money by joint resolution.
15. Appropriation for a fish ladder at Oregon City.
16. A change in the law relating to the conveyance of criminals and insane persons.
17. Instructions to our Representatives in Congress to procure appropriation for a portage road at The Dalles of the Columbia; to secure the passage of a joint resolution allowing Oregon to use the interest on the Agricultural College funds for betterments of the college property; to secure an extension of time in which payment may be made by settlers for lands within the forfeited limits; to vote for the free coinage of silver; the issuance of the paper money of the country by the Government alone; an enactment of an income tax law.

It is a surprise to people who have investigated them that the 3 and 4-cent denominations of the Columbian stamps are much prettier than the two-cent. It is odd that the most used should be least attractive. Mr. Wannamaker's sense of beauty needs cultivation.—Telegram.

The great intercollegiate chess championship game contest, which has just ended, was a great success, showing that the brain of the youth can excite the interest of the country as well as the brain. Columbia was the winner, defeating Yale, Harvard and Princeton; but then this the Columbian year.

Whatever may be the opinion about capital punishment, one thing is certain, that if the law requiring it, under legal conviction, cannot be carried into execution, it would be better to adopt a milder punishment if that step would insure the conviction and prescribed punishment of the criminal. Of late one great difficulty has been to secure the convictions where criminals are clearly proven guilty. The ordinary jurymen has become sensitive on the point of voting a man to be hanged, unless he sees a chance for commutation of sentence. Governor Markham, in his message, states that the ratio of executions to convictions of murders in the first degree, in California, has fallen 100 per cent. between 1850 and 1860 to 16 per cent. between 1880 and 1890, while the percentage of life sentences has risen from zero to 70 per cent. From this he argues that the law no longer favors capital punishment. The same state of affairs exists in many other states, such as New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, and contemplating the abolition of capital punishment.

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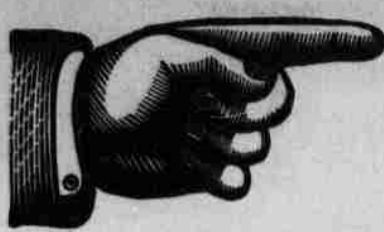
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