Thirty-one Were Present, But Accomplished Nothing.

Thirty-one members of the Mitchell joint assembly met at the capitol in Salem Monday and discussed the senatorial situation at length and in all its phases. It was a secret conference, but it is known that no formal action looking either to continued support of Mitchell or his withdrawal was taken. Driver, Sommers, Patterson of Marion, Taylor, Reed, Gowan, Nosler, David, Veness and others spoke. Some of these advocated supporting Mitchell to

Taylor made several earnest talks. It was to the effect that the interests of the Republican party were higher than those of any one man; but he added that the members of this conference ought to have the right to name the candiadte, if it is seen that Mitchell cannot be elected.

Reed wanted to fight it out on this line if it took all summer. He did not believe in allowing the minority to dictate to the majority.

Senator Patterson, of Marion, thought the thirty-one could afford to hold out in their present attitude, and he invited the opposition to "lay on, Macduff." There was some talk Monday that it was the purpose of the opposition to come in and organize the house during the afternoon. But it was without foundation.

While the number of absentees from the Mitchell joint assembly was six, there was just one voluntary with-drawal. That was Representative Mitchell, of Marion.

Mr. Mitchell is no orator and did not think it necessary to set off any fireworks in joint assembly, announcing his purpose. He simply stayed out, which is quite as 'effective as any way of getting at it.

The Mitchell cause has suffered severely through sickness. Representative Hudson, of Washington, who had been in bed since last Wednesday, was sent to the Salem hospital. His physician says he has typhoid fever in a mild form, and that he will probably not be able to leave his room for several weeks. Representative Wagner is ill at his home in Portland, and it is said that it will not be safe for him to venture out for several days, if, indeed, he can be here during the week. Representative Vaughan is still quite sick, but he may be able to answer roll-call tomorrow, though this cannot be stated with certainty.

The Davis house met at 11:45 Monday night. Sixteen members were present. Adjournment was taken till five minutes after 12. When that time arrived, the house was again called to order, and adjourned till 9:30 A. M. Wednesday.

Thirty-three in Joint Assembly.

Monday's session of the joint convention developed nothing new. Chairman Borwnell called the joint assembly to order at 12 o'clock. He at once submitted letters from Vaughan, Hudson and Wagner. They were not read, but the clerk was directed to mark them excused.

The roll was called and showed the following thirty-three in attendance: Senators—Brownell, Driver, Dufur, Gowan, Harmon, Hughes, Johnson, Patterson of Marion, Price, Taylor—10.

Representatives - Benson, Bridges, Brown, Chapman, Conn, Crawford, David, Gratke, Gurdane, Hogue, Hope, Jennings, Langell, Marsh, Merrill, Nosler, Palm, Rigby, Smith of Marion, Somers, Stanley, Thomas, Thompson

Absent-Senator Reed, Representatives Hudson, Mitchell, Vaughan,

Veness, Wagner-6.

The absence of Representative Mitchell of Marion, was significant. It is known that he has definitely declared that he will not return. It was expected that Mitchell would formally withdraw, but he appears to think a speech unnecessary. Representative Venness, of Polk, was probably not able to return from his home, whither he went Friday, on account of the storm. Senator Reed remained in the senate chamber during the entire time the convention was in session. It is not known that his absence indicated an intention to stay out hereafter. There were no speeches. After the reading of the journal had been dispensed with, the convention, on motion of Senator Harmon, adjourned.

A number of Republican members of the opposition have received the following self-explanatory dispatch:

New York, Feb. 15 .- Hon. George a Republican United States senator will jeopardize Republican reorganization of the senate March 5, and endanger tariff legislation. Oregon then would be responsible for continued hard times and the embarrassment of the incoming administration.

"American Protective Tariff League, "Cornelius M. Bliss, President."

The senate committee, appointed to exaimne the ground of the proposed portage railroad between The Dalles and Celilo, was shown over the ground Monday by a committee from the Commercial Club of The Dalles.

From now on to the close of the present session of congress it is expected that everything not on the active list will make way for the appropriation bills, which must be passed before final adjournment on March 1.

The San Francisco police made a general raid upon the Chinese gambling joints of the city, rounding up a total of 320 Celestials, all of whom were found delving deep into the mysteries of the enticing game of fan-tan.

A report is being circulated in Washington, D. C., to the effect that Binger Hermann will be appointed general land office commissioner, as soon as President McKinley gets around to where he can make appointments. The office mentioned pays \$4,500 s year.

ALL CLERKS DISPENSED WITH

Resolution Passed by the Senate-It Caused a Hot Fight.

A stirring and very personal debate took place in the senate at Salem Thursday afternon. It arose primarily over the question of clerks, but it took a broader range, and covered the entire ground of the legislative hold-up and the candidacy of Senator Mitchell. Just after the senate met in the afternoon, Reed introduced the following resolution:

'Whereas, the organization of the legislature has not yet been perfected and public business is being retarded and necessary legislation, such as appropriations for public purposes, abolishment of useless and expensive commissions and other legislation promised the people of this state by all political parties, is being denied by the refusal of certain persons elected to the house of representatives to qualify; and

"Whereas, notwithstanding the facts aforesaid, and the fact that this senate is practically transacting no public business and there is no work for senate committee clerks to do, there is, nevertheless now employed by the senate committees, at public charge, a large number of clerks; and

"Whereas, None of the said clerks are engaged in the discharge of any public duty, and there is no probability of their services being immediately required; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That all clerks of senate committees be, and they are hereby, discharged, and no compensation shall be allowed any such clerk from and after this date, unless the employment be hereafter authorized by the senate after perfect organization of the legislature shall have been secured."

Senator Dufur made quite a lengthy speech in which he set forth his position on questions of economy. He was followed by Driver and Michell and a number of others, some of whom had amendments to the resolutions as presented. A vote was finally reached. The amendments were cleared away, one by one, and the ayes and noes be ing called on the original question, but HOME PRODUCTS AND PURE FOOD. one dissenting vote was cast. The president voted no, more in a spirit of jest than anything.

## The Joint Convention.

The joint convention has met daily, but at no time have more than thirty nine been present. Each day developed some flery oratory, accusing the oppos-ing faction of blocking legislation. Thursday thirty-seven members were present, eleven senators and twenty-six representatives. Senator Reed came in for the first time. Representatives Hudson and Vaughan sent letters asking to be excused on account of sickness. When the session convened it was the general expectation that it would be purely perfunctory, but the spectators were agreeably surprised. The first surprise was when Nosler's name was reached. Nosler arose and the house became intensely quiet, as everyone thought that Nosler was going to announce his withdrawal, but the sequel proved a contrary intention on his part.

Nosler first spoke of his having been in his seat ever since the session opened, answering every rollcall and ready to do his duty. Said he: "I am ashamed to see such child's

play and must enter my protest." Referring to Senator Carter's speech, "Would it not have been better for

him to have made the forty-first man instead of the forty-sixth?" Continuing, he declared that some one was responsible for the situation. The Republican party was not responsible for its recalcitrant members. The people would hold these responsible as

individuals. In conclusion Nosler said:

"I am here to answer to my name and I expect to be here to the end."

Nosler's speech was of peculiar interest in view of the fact that his seat is to be contested when the house organizes. Nosler was elected as a Pop-

Senator Reed was the author of the next incident. He said that he was occupying the seat of Representative Hudson, who was ill, and he would continue to occupy the seat as long as he, Hudson, was absent. Reed then

"I don't come here as a Mitchell man, but I will vote for him if I get a chance. I con't propose to be held up by fifteen Populists, and I tell you I am going to stay here now."

Reed then said he would like to ask what doctors were attending Vaughan H. Hill, Salem, Or.: Failure to elect and Hudson. He suggested that they might be jobbed by the opposition. Chairman Brownell appointed Reed, Patterson and Chapman a committee to see who was attending the sick members. Reed's motion was not made seriously and was intended only as a

'josh." Chapman continued the speechmaking by saying he was here ready to redeem every pledge he had made.

The senate committee on judiciary, to which was referred Gowan's sweeping salary bill, has considered the suggestions of the various county delegations as to the salaries in their respec-tive counties. The Multnomah delegation recommended that the same salaries be maintained for their county, but all fees and emoluments of whatever kind were cut off. The sugestion was adopted by the committee.

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The wheat market in Chicago last Best tea, and get your week had a strong tone early, rallying 1c, and then breaking 4c, the close being at a loss of 3 1/4c from the close at the end of the previous week. The range on May was 783/4 to 77 7-8c, with Your tea - trade for the the close at 78% to 78 7-8c. The foreign situation afforded but little subnext ten years is worth stantial encouragement and the spot trade in America was not broad enough to force the upturn that the decrease in visible supplies warranted. The condition of the trade in England is shown by the failure of a grain house in Bristol, who were long floating California cargoes, the recent decline there of 15c from the high point being too much for them. Foreigners, both on the continent and in England, are long, and are placing great confidence in the strong tion, and for business that's the best thing statistical position. All the foreign papers are filled with bullish statistics, and have been for the past ninety days. Those sent uot lately have been a rehash of what the trade has been stuffed with ever since the advance started. There have been at least ten official Russian crop reports, each differing slightly from the other. There also has been a fresh estimate on the world's wheat crop, the Corn Trade News' latest making it 96,000,000 bushels short of last year. A few months ago Beerbohm was out with an estimate of 136,000,000 bushels short. It is generally conceded that the Argentine crop is short, as at this time of the year that country commences to ship heavily, but last week it only sent about 20,000 bushels, against 800,000 bushels last year. Bradstreets estimates that the world's available supply will be 75,000,000 bushels, against 105,000,000 bushels last year, and 131,000,000 bushels in 1895.

Cash wheat is being held back all over the world for higher prices, and occasionally a section is heard from that has a little that it desires to sell. Speculation with commission houses has increased slightly, but is still small.

Market Quotations.

Portland, Or., Feb. 16, 1897. Flour-Portland, Salem, Cascadia and Dayton, \$4.25; Benton county and White Lily, \$4.40; graham, \$3.50; su-

perfine, \$2.75 per barrel. Wheat—Walla Walla, 80@81c; Valley, 82@83c per bushel. Oats—Choice white, 89@40c per

bushel; choice gray, 38@40c. Hay—Timothy, \$13@18.50 per ton; clover, \$10.00@11.00; wheat and oat, \$10.00@11 per ton.

Barley-Feed barley, \$18.00 per ton; rewing, \$30.

Millstuffs-Bran, \$15.00; shorts, \$16.50; middlings, \$26.

Butter—Creamery, 50@55c; dairy, 25@35c; store, 17½ @30c per roll.
Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, 65@85c; Garnet Chiles, 70@80c; Early Rose, 70 @ 80c per sack; sweets, \$2.25 per cental for Merced; Jersey Red, \$2.50 per sack. Onions-\$1.50@1.75 per sack.

Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@ 3.00; geese, \$3@4; turkeys, live, 11c; fucks, \$4@5.00 per dozen. Eggs-Oregon, 15@18c per dozen. Cheese - Oregon, 121/2c; Young

America, 13½c per pound. Wool-Valley, 10c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 6@8c. Hops-9@10c per pound.

Beef-Gross, top steers, \$2.75@3.00; cows, \$2.25@2.50; dressed beef, 4@ 5 %c per pound. Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, \$3.00@3.25; dressed mut-

ton, 51/2 @6c per pound. Hogs-Gross, choice, heavy, \$3.25@ 3.50; light and feeders, \$2.50@3.00; dressed, \$4.50@5.00 per cwt.

Veal-Large, 5@5%c; small, 6@ 61/2 per pound. Seattle, Wash., Feb. 16, 1897. Wheat-Chicken feed, \$27 per ton.

Oats-Choice, \$23@24 per ton. Barley-Rolled or ground, \$22 per Corn-Whole, \$20 per ton; cracked,

\$21; feed meal, \$21. Flour-(Jobbing)-Patent excellent, \$5.10; Novelty A, \$4.60; California brands, \$5.20; Dakota, \$5.50; patent,

Millstuffs-Bran, \$15.50 per ton; shorts, \$19. Feed-Chopped feed, \$18.00 per ton;

middlings, \$22; oilcake meal, \$29. Hay-Puget sound, per ton, \$9.00@ 10.00; Eastern Washington, \$14. Butter - Fancy native creamery, brick, 25c; select, 24c; tubs, 23c;

ranch, 17c. Cheese-NativeWashington, 12 1/2 c. Vegetables—Potatoes, per ton, \$18@ 20; parsnips, per sack, 75c; beets, per sack, 60c; turnips, per sack, 60c; rutabagas, per sack, 75c; carrots, per sack,

85@45c; cabbage, per 100 lbs, \$1.50; onions, per 100 lbs, \$2.50. Sweet potatoes-Per 100 lbs, \$3.00. Poultry-Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 8 %c; dressed, 9@10c; ducks, \$4.00@5.00; dressed turkeys, 15.

Eggs-Fresh ranch, 18c; Eastern, c per dozen. Fresh Meats-Choice dressed beef, steers, 6c; cows, 5 1/2c; mutton, sheep, 71/c per pound; lamb, 5c; pork, 5c per pound; veal, small, 6c.

Fresh Fish-Halibut, 5@6; salmon, 5@6; salmon trout, 7@10; flounders and soles, 3@4c. Provisions-Hams, large, 11c; hams, small, 11 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 10c;

dry salt sides, 5%c per pound.

San Francisco, Feb. 16, 1897. Potatoes - Salinas Burbanks, 90c@ \$1.10; Early Rose, 75@85c; River Burbanks, 60@80c; sweets, Merced, \$1.50 @1.65; Los Angeles, \$1.50@2.

Onions-\$2.00@2.55 per cental. Eggs-Ranch, 15@16 per dozen. Butter-Fancy creamery, 21@22c; do seconds, 18@19c; fancy dairy, 17c; seconds. 14@15c.

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