

YAMHILL'S REPRESENTATION.

An act passed the last legislature redistricting the state into senatorial and representative districts, and fixing the number of senators and representatives in the legislative assembly. The senate shall be composed of thirty members, and the house of sixty members as heretofore. The ratio for the apportionment of the state into senatorial districts shall be one senator for every six thousand five hundred and ninety-two of white population or fraction thereof exceeding one-half in each senatorial district. Yamhill county constitutes the tenth senatorial district and is entitled to one senator. Dr. Watts holds over the coming two years, therefore there will be no senator to elect from this county this year. The representative districts shall be entitled to one representative for every three thousand two hundred and ninety-six of white population and fraction thereof exceeding one-half. The county of Yamhill constitutes the eleventh representative district and is entitled to two representatives. Yamhill and Tillamook counties constitute the twelfth representative district, which is entitled to one representative. By this apportionment we lose one senator and one half of a representative. It is thought this rearrangement is favorable to the republicans, but one thing is certain; eastern Oregon has thus secured and increased representation to which that section was justly entitled, and it may transpire that by virtue of this increased representation from democratic districts the next legislature may be given into the hands of the latter party.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE DEAD.

Chief Justice Morrison R. Waite, of the United States supreme court, died at his residence in Washington, D. C., Friday morning last. Mr. Waite was born in Connecticut; removed to Ohio, settled in Toledo in an early day and was a member of the legislature in 1849. He continually refused to accept nominations for different official positions, preferring to devote his time to the practice of his chosen profession. His reputation as a lawyer was little known outside of Ohio, when in 1874, President Grant nominated him for the office of chief justice. The senate had already refused to confirm Geo. H. Williams and Caleb Cushing, and when the name of Morrison R. Waite was presented the state of Ohio vouched for him and he was confirmed almost unanimously. His opinions have given general satisfaction to the country. More business has been done and more intricate questions decided during his occupancy of this high position than in any other fourteen years in the history of our nation.

Much speculation naturally arises as to whom President Cleveland will name as the successor of Judge Waite. There is probably not a democrat in the whole union but who would like to have that honor conferred upon ex-Senator Allen G. Thurman, of Ohio, were it not for the fact that he is beyond the retiring age. Who will be the next chief justice is at this time beyond conjecture, although several prominent men are mentioned as available.

It is now currently reported that John P. Irish, of the San Francisco Alta, will stump this state for the democrats this year. He is a fine orator and will, no doubt, convince many republicans of the error of their ways.

The Salem Journal and the McMinnville Reporter are having a little game of "you tickle me and I'll tickle you." The republicans of this county are not aggressive. They are in the majority, but instead of being aggressive the party is lying on its oars and apparently waiting for something to turn up. About the 4th of June it will find to its sorrow that something has turned up, sure enough.

If the republicans party is the only party that has a policy or a principle worthy of consideration, as the Salem Statesman says; why does it devote so much of its valuable space to the democratic and prohibition parties?

THE NARROW GAUGE ACCIDENT.

On Thursday last a serious accident occurred on the Portland & Willamette Valley railroad, at a point about eleven miles south of Portland. The train to which the accident occurred was en route for that city and consisted of an engine and two box cars, containing twenty-seven head of cattle, and a passenger coach attached to the rear with some twenty passengers in it. The train had entered upon a long trestle, which is curved to the extent of about ten degrees, and, as usual in such cases, the outside rails are higher than those of the inside. It is supposed that this caused the cattle to be thrown in a body to the side of the cars which was the lowest. This allowed the trucks to leave the track, and breaking the coupling between the cattle cars and the engine to plunge to the bottom of the gulch fifteen or twenty feet below. The passenger coach left the track, and it, too, went down to destruction. In making the journey through the air the passenger coach turned a complete somersault and landed square on the trucks at the bottom of the dry creek.

Twelve of the twenty passengers were more or less injured. The most seriously injured were A. K. Colburn, the conductor, skull fractured; D. W. Ralston, of Sheridan, dislocation of right wrist and internally injured; Miss Ilda Poppleton, of Lafayette, dislocated shoulder; Miss Anna Dunn, of Lafayette, severe scalp wound; Mr. and Mrs. A. Yocum, of Sheridan, were bruised and sprained severely. The others were slightly hurt and did not go to a hospital. Ten head of the cattle were killed, and the others were driven to Portland on foot.

The train was traveling at the ordinary rate of speed at the time the accident occurred, and no blame can be attached to those in charge of the train. It was one of the accidents which sometimes occur although the greatest precaution is taken. It has been said that the cattle were attached to this train contrary to orders, but whether true or not we can't say. Mr. Colburn died at 12 o'clock last Sunday night. This is the most serious accident in the railroad history of our state, and it is regretted by all. The narrow gauge system is struggling for a livelihood and to a place among the common carriers of this valley in the face of great opposition and litigation. We hope to see the road come out ahead and be a road among roads in the near future.

REAL ESTATE.

The following deeds were recorded during the week ending March 24, 1888: John A. Cain and wife to Austin Whitney, 1/2 of n w 1/4 and w 1/2 of n e 1/4, section 20, t 5 s, r 6 w, 160 acres; \$150. Victor Gross to Samuel A. Gross, part of lot 5, block 1, also lots 7 and 8, block 14, in Sheridan, \$375. Mary E. Townsed and husband to Jesse Hobson, the east 10 acres of the James Badley donation claim, t 3 s, r 2 w; \$138.60. Jesse Hobson and wife to Eleanor Davis, 10 acres of the James Badley donation claim, in t 3 s, r 2 w; \$300. George Shepherd and wife to Virginia V. Daniel, lots 3 and 4, block 24, in Lafayette, \$325. W. R. Brown and wife to G. W. Goucher, the n 1/2 of lot 4, block 4, in Amity; \$150. S. Potter and wife to Louisa J. Cain, lots 4 and 5, block 3, Sheridan; \$80. James W. Deakins and wife to Louisa J. Cain, lot 6, block 3, Sheridan; \$50. H. M. Pittman and wife to W. M. Pittman, 80 acres in t 2 s, r 3 w; \$100. J. R. Smith and wife to Milton Nicholson and H. T. White, 25 acres, t 3 s, r 2 w; \$500. E. A. Woodbridge and wife to Sarah F. Messner, 26 acres in t 3 s, r 3 w; \$5. Thomas A. Leonard and wife to J. E. Magers, lots 3 and 4, block 5, McMinnville; \$275. Judge R. P. Boise, who is holding court here this week, does not appear very strong, owing to his recent long illness.

NEW TO-DAY. Notice for Publication. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, Oregon, March 23d, 1888. 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 the clerk of Tillamook county, Oregon, at Tillamook, Oregon, on Friday, May 12th, 1888, viz: Nellie S. Webb. Preemption D. S. No. 332, for the e 1/4, s w 1/4 and w 1/2 of s e 1/4 of section 10, t 5 s, r 10 w. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Albert W. Fletcher, Charles L. Sawyer, W. A. Gage and Darius J. Dunn, all of Orestown, Oregon. W. T. BURNETT, Register.

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