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CAPT. J. T. APPERSON of Oregon City has been made president of the board of regents of the state agricultural college.

"It is a common remark among those who have been taken in by 'Coin's Financial School,'" says a recent critic, "that the writer of it makes everything so plain. The Rev. John Jasper had the same advantage over the followers of Galileo, when he said 'the sun do move.' When the Rev. J. J. pointed to the orb of day in the heavens, everybody could see that it passed slowly from east to west."

JUDGE HEWITT has decided the railroad commissioner case in favor of the plaintiff and against the demurrer of the secretary of state to the writ of mandamus commanding him to draw a warrant for the salary. The judge holds that all officers, except members of the legislature, shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. The case will probably go to the supreme court.

OUR brief reference to the Sheridan Sun as the champion "straddle-bug" had the expected result of calling forth one of its characteristic exhibitions with the cap and bells. The Sun is not only the chief of straddle-bugs, but it is easily the champion performer with these harmless implements. It makes a damaging accusation, however, when it charges us with having supported its editor for office while he was too busy straddling to do anything for the party carrying him. That act merited the appellation of "tumble-bug," and we suppose that in the choice of an epithet the Sun had in mind the material a tumble-bug is supposed to work with.

OUR esteemed cotemporaries, the Oregonian and YAMHILL REPORTER, attempt to explain our statement of last week regarding the redemption of silver certificates. While both admit that they are redeemable in silver, only they seek to mislead the public mind by stating that the certificates may be exchanged for greenbacks and the greenbacks exchanged for gold; hence it is a gold transaction. Now, then, let us ask our neighbors where they are to get the greenbacks? Will they go to the treasury department or any sub-treasurer and get them? Not much. The exchange might be made in outside business transactions and then the possessor of the greenbacks can cash them for gold. But the point that we were making was that as the silver certificate is exchangeable only for silver at the treasury of the United States, it is its legal tender quality that keeps it at a parity. This is the point we sought to make and we defy a successful contradiction in the premises.—Dallas Transcript.

It will not do to try to crawl out of any such hole as this. The treasurer makes a business of exchanging greenbacks for silver. Just keep on hammering away, and you will find out a few things in course of time.

It was an interesting experiment made in the late Colorado legislature and the first of its kind in American history. Three women, Mrs. Holly, Mrs. Cressingham and Mrs. Klock, all wives and all mothers happily married, were elected on the republican ticket to the legislature, over 70,000 of the women of Colorado voting for them at the November election. These women did not slip into the Colorado legislature, they fought their way into it through the usual strenuous campaign efforts of clubs, speechmaking and parades. Concerning the record they made as legislators we learn that while none was an orator of high rank, yet all made speeches, some of them superior to the man members. At the opening of the session the women had the privilege of choosing their desks before the men were allowed to draw lots for their places. Whenever one of the women rose to speak the men were all attention, and the women enjoyed a good many privileges not granted to the other representatives. It soon became evident that they had positive opinions upon questions with which women are not ordinarily familiar. They were very successful in getting their share of the spoils of office by securing places for their women friends, one of them securing for women three-fourths of the legislative clerkships. They got along well with each other, were alert, and had but a few flashes, all of which were with the mean man members.

To those who clamor so loudly for the repeal of our Sunday observance laws, which they denounce as an anachronistic survival of old Puritan days, the report just issued by the Sabbath League association of France should serve as a lesson. From the days of Emperor Charlemagne down to 1880 statutes had figured in the French codes prohibiting, under severe penalties, labor of every kind on Sundays; and even the revolutionary

government of one hundred years ago, which substituted the worship of the goddess of reason in the place of Christianity, made a point of prescribing by law one day of rest in the week. Fifteen years ago the free-thinking element in the national legislature succeeded in obtaining the repeal of all legislation in connection with the matter, declaring it no longer in keeping with the enlightened and liberal spirit of the present age. Yet to-day, as shown elsewhere in our columns, these self-same men figure prominently in the ranks of that Sabbath League, which has been formed with the object of securing the re-enactment of the laws providing for the observance of Sunday. The experience of the last fifteen years has furnished to them, as well as to the many eminent statesmen, politicians and economists of every shade and creed, who belong to the association, adequate proof that the removal of these statutes from the code was a mistake, and that a legal day of rest in the week is a necessity to every people, be it infidel or Christian.—New York Tribune.

OREGON NEWS AND NOTES.

The Parsons band of Portland has been engaged to furnish the music for the state fair this fall.

Mrs. Susannah Woods, matron of the Children's Home, South Portland, died suddenly on Tuesday.

Park Place school at Oregon City furnishes the only instance of its kind heard from. Two boy graduates and no girls.

The straw paper mill at Lebanon, Linn county, runs night and day the year through, and pays out, it is said, over \$100,000 a year for labor and materials.

The city of Corvallis will hold its annual election on Monday, May 20. There will be elected mayor, police judge, chief of police, treasurer and four councilmen.

Eugene Journal: If all men could see that it was their duty to make the roads passable along their own property, and act upon it, what a blessed improvement it would be.

Congressman Ellis has the duty of selecting the next cadet from Oregon for the naval academy at Annapolis. Examinations will be held in Portland on the 23d and 24th insts.

The state weather bureau announces that Portland will not have a back-water flood this year, owing to low temperature not permitting rapid melting of snow in the mountains.

Oregon mines are attracting much attention, and are becoming a factor of importance in the wealth and enterprise of the state. There promises to be an accelerated activity in their development during the present season.

The state board of agriculture has just destroyed 40,000 fruit trees at Pendleton, claiming them to be infected with a parasitic fungus. Mr. McComas had purchased them of nurserymen about Canby, and the loss will fall heavily upon him.

A Coxeite orator is perambulating the state to secure signatures to a petition for Coxe's road measure, which it is said will again be presented to congress with another display of marching commonwealers, so called.

Senator Cullom of Illinois was in Portland Monday, and Ex-Congressman Sibley, of Pennsylvania, and Gen. Warner, president of the National Bimetallist League, arrived in that city Tuesday. The latter gentlemen are sounding the country on silver.

Another move is on foot to build a boat that will be able to navigate the upper Willamette river between Corvallis and Eugene at all seasons of the year. Capt. Isaac Gray of Eugene is interested in the project. It is intended to construct a boat drawing 14 inches of water.

An eastern Oregon jurymen pleaded in extenuation of an act of contempt of court, in neglecting to obey a subpoena, that he had to choose between contempt of court and contempt of his wife, and he thought the court would be the more merciful.

The city of Tillamook has passed an ordinance compelling owners of public halls to have two exits to the hall. And neither of the stairways to be less than four feet wide in the clear, and the doors to be "swinging doors," so hung that they may be opened by a pressure of five pounds.

Roseburg has two city marshals. The regular marshal fell into disrepute by killing impounded dogs, and the council declared his office vacant and appointed another. Both men are trying to fill the office, and the lawyers are "egging" them on. When it comes to drawing the salary there'll be fun.

Circuit Judge H. H. Hewitt rendered a decision at Salem, Saturday, in the Silvertown mill case. The plaintiff owners of the wheat are given the decision, and its pro rata division to them is ordered, the receiver deducting from each his share of the costs and expenses to date. The defendants, J. W. and J. S. Cochran and Harry S. Starrett, are enjoined from interference.

Henry Blackman, collector of internal revenue for Oregon and Washington, has been called down very hard by the treasury department and it is understood if he does not heed the instructions of the department he will lose his official head. The principal charge against

him seems to be that he has appointed his wife to a position where she draws a princely salary, but performs no services.

More of the goods stolen at the time of the robbery of the Dilley store were found last Saturday in a brush lot belonging to Jack Lousignout, and Jack is again under arrest. It will be remembered that this same man was indicted at the last term of court for complicity in this robbery, but got clear because of a lack of evidence. Now he will have a chance to try the road again. There are more goods to find, and their discovery may reveal other facts.

Dr. Jay Guy Lewis died at his home in Sparta, Union county, Sunday night from erysipelas, from which he had suffered but a short time. While he was not an old settler in Oregon, Dr. Lewis was extensively acquainted throughout the state and was generally popular with those with whom he came in contact. He was chosen by the Oregon World's fair commission as general superintendent of the state's exhibit at Chicago, and in that position, he served with honor to himself and benefit to the state. He was conversant with such work, as he represented the state of Arkansas at the centennial celebration of 1876 at Philadelphia and at the New Orleans exposition in 1883. The doctor spent the past winter in Salem and served as clerk of one of the committees during the legislative session. He was an applicant before the board of building commissioners for the position of superintendent of construction of the East Oregon insane asylum.

George Gould wants to be United States senator from New Jersey.

Fruit in fifteen middle states was damaged by frost on the night of the 11th.

Frank H. Thomas, chief clerk of the postoffice department, has resigned.

The British channel has been crossed in a cycle by John C. Ruck in six days.

Du Maurier, the author of "Tribby," is coming to America to settle a dispute over copyrights and the right to dramatize his novel.

On the 10th inst. Ex-President Harrison made his last speech before a jury in the Morrison will case at Richmond, Ind. He will abandon the practice of law.

A general snow storm was experienced in Wisconsin on 13th, extending to parts of Indiana and Michigan, with disastrous results to fruit buds and gardens.

May 10th was celebrated as Memorial day by confederate veterans in many parts of the south. At Charlotte, N. C., the Grand Army men and confederates met together and united in decorating 300 graves of confederate soldiers.

Two hundred men in the Delaware iron works were taken by surprise on the 13th, when they found a 10 per cent increase of wages in their envelopes. They were informed that improvement in the iron trade made the improvement in the wages possible. This looks better.

Commissioner-General Stump, of the immigration board, of Washington, received a telegram from Dr. Reuner, commissioner of New York, stating that 4000 immigrants arrived at New York last Saturday, 4000 on Monday, and that 1500 are expected during the remaining days of this week. These heavy arrivals are almost unprecedented during the last several years.

A story is current in women's temperance circles that Miss Frances Willard, the famous temperance lecturer, will be led to the altar before autumn. The gentleman in the case is alluded to without name as "an Englishman of wealth and position, and of prominence in reform work across the water." Miss Willard's most intimate friends, however, point to the fact that she is just entering upon her 56th year and she has not yet mentioned any prospective change in her domestic relations in any of her recent communications to close friends.

Mrs. Mary Lease, the populist orator, has been gaggled into the investigation of Populist State Senator Householder, whose administration of the affairs of the Kansas state board of charities is now being inquired into. A voucher signed by Mrs. Lease, and presented to the investigating committee, shows that in October, 1894, she drew \$34.79 for mileage and \$15 per diem as a member of the board, while the records, it is alleged, show she did not attend a single meeting of the board during that month, and was not, therefore, entitled to remuneration.

Tom Winder, who is making a trip around the borders of the United States on a bicycle, leaving New Orleans March 14, reached Portland on Sunday. He is to make the trip in 300 consecutive days and the owners of the Buffalo Express will pay him \$1500 on its completion, while another \$1000 comes from a bicycle manufacturer should the journey be completed on schedule time. His trip is the longest ever undertaken by a cyclist, and if he reaches New Orleans on or before January 6, 1896, he will have traveled a distance estimated at 21,600 miles, and will hold the world's record as a long-distance rider. He expects to average about 72 miles per day on the whole trip.

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night, with the exception of what light the moon may afford. The board of supervisors adopted a resolution instructing the electric light and gas companies to shut off their lights between the dates mentioned in order to save enough money to conduct the prisons, hospitals and fire department until the end of the fiscal year. The board was compelled to take this action from the fact that there are no funds available in the treasury to maintain public institutions and contractors had refused to furnish supplies unless guaranteed their pay.

An ugly crisis has been reached in the negotiations between the United States and Great Britain looking to the adoption of uniform regulations for the government of seal fisheries this season. The British government positively refuses to re-enact the regulations of last year, which prohibited the carrying of firearms by sealing vessels through the sea north of the 25th parallel during the closed season. The United States officials look upon this as disastrous to the seal fisheries, holding that the result will be to relieve the pelagic sealers of the only restriction which has operated to prevent an unlimited slaughter of the herds. While killing by firearms remains illegal, it is realized it will be impossible to enforce this prohibition if arms can be freely carried.

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