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CUBANS

Rejoicing Over the Blow-Up. Defeated Spaniards Take Revenge On Helpless Pacificos.

New York, Jan. 21.—The Press says Glad tidings to Cubans in this city were those which announced the sinking of the Spanish gunboat Ralmapago by means of a torpedo...

without firing a shot. The insurgents held possession of the town for over three hours, looting the stores, public buildings and many residences.

After the insurgents left the inhabitants busied themselves extinguishing the flames. While thus engaged the Spanish forces returned and opened fire on them.

The Cuban reports say 40 persons were killed, 18 of whom were women and children, and 60 others were wounded, some of them fatally.

Col. Kelsay has for forty years been a well known figure in Oregon. He was born in Kentucky in 1819, moved at an early age to Missouri, and in 1844 served as a member of the state legislature of the latter state.

Many a reminiscence of the early days in legal circles abounds with rich anecdote illustrating the kindly character of the deceased.

Dawson's Bitters cure stomach troubles

LITTLE LOCALS

"Patronize Home Industry" is the inscription on a large placard in one of the local stores, whose proprietor is an imported Celestial.

Some mischief-making boys of North Salem last evening amused themselves at the expense of unsuspecting pedestrians, however, by stretching a wire across the sidewalk on north Liberty street...

MITCHELL

Has Telegrams From Hoar.

Less Than a Quorum Can Organize But Can't Do Business.

Senator Mitchell gives out following telegrams from himself, and replies thereto:

SALEM, Or., Jan. 19, 1897. "Hon. C. F. Hoar, Chairman Judiciary committee, U. S. Senate, Washington, D. C.:

"The constitution of the state of Oregon provides as follows: "First: That the senate shall consist of thirty, and house of representatives of sixty members.

"Second: Two-thirds of each house shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may meet; adjourn from day to day and compel the attendance of absent members.

"Query: Can the house organize permanently, a majority only being present, and can such house elect a senator and lawfully do other legislative business provided two-thirds of such majority are present?

"Thirty-one Republicans and four Democrats, being all the Democrats in the house, thirty-five in all, are now present in the house ready to organize; while nineteen Populists, being all the Populist members of the house, and six bolting Republican refuses to come in and be sworn.

While we believe the house has a perfect right to permanently organize, provided thirty-two or more members are present, and that two-thirds of such members will constitute a quorum to enable the house not only to elect a senator, but to transact any and all legislative business, yet in order to avoid any possible friction, the majority have been patiently waiting in the hope of securing the presence of two-thirds of all the members elected to the house before organizing.

"Any suggestion of advice you are willing to give for us here will be greatly appreciated.

"JOHN H. MITCHELL"

HOAR'S REPLY.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Jan. 19, 1897.

"Hon. John H. Mitchell, Salem, Oregon:

"I think two-thirds of number actually qualified make a good constitutional quorum. If only thirty-five qualify they may organize and lawfully do business. Same question and principle settled in national house and senate in time of the rebellion.

"In addition to what I have just said, I may state that I am this evening in receipt of a second dispatch from Senator Hoar, and from which it appears that those who are engaged in the legislative hold-up, through one of their attorneys, appealed also to the same high authority for an opinion on this subject. The following is the dispatch just received by me from Senator Hoar, which speaks for itself:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20, 1897.

"Hon. John H. Mitchell, Salem, Oregon:

"I have sent the following dispatch to C. A. Dolph in response to his inquiry.

"If Oregon constitution provide house of representatives shall consist of sixty members, or provide a less number and that legislature may increase the number to sixty, which has been done, and further provides that two-thirds of the lawfully qualified members of each house may constitute such quorum, although a less number than sixty have qualified, and a less number than forty are present and act. Therefore, if thirty-five persons are all the qualified members of the house, and twenty-five others lawfully elected refuse to qualify, the action of the majority of the thirty-five in organizing or electing a senator, or other legislative business, will be constitutionally valid, at least twenty-four being present. Two-thirds of the thirty-five being all the lawfully qualified members will then make a quorum. This doctrine was settled in the national senate and house during the rebellion, and has been acted upon in those bodies ever since. I have given this opinion to Senator Mitchell. "Geo. F. Hoar."

MITCHELL QUOTES THURSTON.

"In further confirmation of the correctness of the construction I place upon the constitutional provisions of our state, I beg to hand you the following dispatch, voluntarily and without any request from me sent this evening by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, one of the eminent lawyers of the nation, and late chairman of the Republican national convention at St. Louis:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20, 1897. "Hon. J. H. Mitchell, Salem, Or.:

"Strongly advise organization of the house with members ready. Elect speaker. Notify senate and governor of organization. Jointly with senate agree on time of voting for senator. If bolting members hang out, appoint committee investigate, report reason for their action, declare seats vacant. No doubt about legality of such course. Believe such action would bring absentees in quickly.

"JOHN H. THURSTON."

"In view, therefore, of the decision of this acknowledged authority on such subjects, to which both parties have appealed, it would seem there ought not to be any further hesitation upon the part of the house of representatives in proceeding to business."

THE SITUATION.

In Oregon is attracting attention not only in the United States senate but among the politicians all over the nation. It is unique in the history of politics. That the telegrams will be acted upon by senator Mitchell's friends in the legislature as soon as they can be assured of any hope of success no one can doubt.

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ARRESTED AT CORVALLIS. Frank Davis, of Salem, Charged With Adultery.

Chief of Police A. C. Dilley returned Wednesday afternoon from Corvallis with one Frank Davis, who is wanted here to answer to the charge of adultery. He was arrested before Recorder Edes at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and his case was continued. The Corvallis Times of Tuesday contains the following regarding Davis:

Frank Davis is wanted in Salem. He was arrested and locked up yesterday afternoon by Chief Wells, to be held, pending the arrival of Chief Dilley, of Salem, at whose request Davis was taken in custody. The charge against Davis is adultery. In Salem he has a wife and two children, and with him at the time of his arrest was a woman who, in Salem has a husband and two children. A short time ago the couple were run out of Corvallis by the authorities, when they went to Albany. Monday they were hustled out of Albany by the authorities there, and they came to Corvallis, only to run up against the trouble recorded above. They seem to be a couple no town on earth wants and are accordingly blotches on the name of manhood and womanhood.

The Fight in Washington.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 21.—Three ballots were taken in the first joint session of the legislature, held for the purpose of selecting a successor to Senator Squire, but no election resulted. The balloting occurred in a most perfunctory manner, without the slightest evidence of excitement, all the members seeming to anticipate that no candidate would receive enough votes to take him dangerously near the goal. The good humor of the members was shown by hearty laughter which Senator Dorr, a republican, occasioned after the second ballot, by proposing that A. A. Denny, who has been receiving the complimentary vote of the twenty-six republicans, be made the unanimous choice of the legislature, as he had more votes than any of the other candidates. Governor Rogers received one vote, and M. G. Goodman a prominent democrat and lawyer of Dayton, was given two votes. These were the only new names brought out. Senator Squire, by reason of the sickness of Representative Williams, lost one vote from yesterday's ballot. Turner gained two votes and lost one, while the various Populist candidates moved up and down.

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HOFER BROS., Editors.

HELP FOR INDIA.—Governor Lord has been appealed to by California parties to assist in raising a shipload of wheat to send to the starving people of India.

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JOURNAL "X" RAYS.

Directed Upon the Oregon Legislature and Lobby.

Will Governor Lord recognize an acephalous unconstitutional house?

It is a shame to ask those regulars to renew their campaign pledges or shut them out!

"I will make you senator and you make me minister to Italy," Sol. Hirsch to Mitchell.

There are regular members of the house who think the style of the senate is altogether too regular.

With two eastern opinions to back them, what do the regulars care for the opinion of Oregon anyhow?

If organized on the new plan it will be worse than senate. It will be called Senator Hoar's house.

The Statesman is still for Mitchell, at so much a line. Look out for a change when his sack gives out.

The Hon. Billy Clark of Gervais, comes as near being "Director" of the regulars in the house as any man this side the planet Mars.

The report that Col. Bob Mitchell was held up by footpads at Salem proved untrue. It is Senator John H. Mitchell who is being held up.

Hon. Sol. Hirsch is to be minister to Italy if he succeeds in making a senator. He wants to go to Italy for his health and the honor.

"There is not a state office, or a federal office, or a legislative clerkship that I have promised to over five different persons."—J. H. M.

Jones of Hood River is the wrong man for the local Mitchellites to jump onto and kick into line for any purpose. He is a very independent man.

The people of Oregon do not care a dash, which one of the ten tribes the rival candidates for senator belong to; what they prefer is a genuine American.

Everything goes by courtesy in the United States senate. Any opinion wanted is furnished to order. If you don't see what you want, ask for it and you'll get it.

Wanted: A new man for senator who is absolutely without pledges, who is squarely on either side of the money question, to represent the PEOPLE of Oregon.

People should not complain too much at hold-ups of private citizens on the streets of Salem at night. Legislators have got to do something to make expenses.

"As an illustrious example of the economy and reforms we will give the people, we need only point to senate, with from two to ten clerks on a committee and not a lick of work in sight!" House regulars.

DIED. SAVAGE.—At the family home, corner of Front and Union streets, at 1:45 a. m. Thursday, Jan. 21, 1897. Mrs. O. G. Savage, aged 41 years, of congestion of the spine.

At the age of 19 she united with the M. E. church and has endeared herself to all by her consistent life. Although a great sufferer for years with spinal disease, she was always patient and her first thought was for others.

On May 25, 1891, she was married to O. G. Savage, who survives her. The mother, Mrs. M. J. Cornish and a sister, Mrs. A. L. Pearson, both of Salem, survive the deceased, also three brothers and eight sisters all of whom reside in the eastern states. Her father, Mr. Cornish, is at present residing in Southern Nebraska.

Funeral arrangements have not been positively decided upon, but it is quite likely they will be held from the residence at 2 p. m. Friday, conducted by Rev. Geo. W. Grannis. Interment will be had in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Fresh supply of the noted Stockton tomatoes, at Strong's restaurant.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

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