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Caught in a Trap Laid by Their Countrymen.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—A special to the Commercial Tribune from Key West says:

A horrible story comes from Juncos, province of Santa Clara, telling of quick retribution to the Spaniards for their butchery and barbarous methods of war. A Spanish force, under Captain Martelli, entered the place, which had been the camp of the insurgents, and before going away secretly poisoned a well and a spring noted for affording excellent water. That evening a Spanish band of guerrillas entered the town, and used the water, from which over 25 men died. The guerrilla captain charged the Cuban residents with the deed, and shot them dead. He then turned the women over to the tender mercies of the men, who shot young boys who attempted to save their mothers and sisters. He burned the village. The next day some of the Spanish troops told the guerrillas the story of the trap they had set for the Cubans, and learned that their own companions in arms had been caught by their own barbarous plots.

Almost Captured Weyler.
New York, Jan. 25.—A Herald dispatch from Havana says: General Weyler has received his baptism of fire in the field. He may have been surrounded by the brilliancy of the flash of the insurgent steel before his very eyes. At all events, 18 of his special scouts of guides, a corps of Cuban negroes who enjoy the distinction of guarding the person of the captain-general when he takes the field, have arrived here seriously wounded with gunshot thrusts. Several have since died. From their accounts it is clear that early on Tuesday morning the rebels under Arangueren and Arango made a startling bold and dashing attempt to capture the captain-general, which was nearly crowned with success. General Weyler, who was marching surrounded by the column of Colonel Segura, entered the village of Quatro Cameros on Monday afternoon. Orders were at once given that all the inhabitants should leave their

mand of 500 insurgent cavalry, made a dash at the town Monday afternoon while the troops were at church celebrating some local holiday. Before they could form the insurgents had possession of the blockhouse. Cannon was trained on the church, and before the Spanish were hardly aware of what was the trouble, solid shot came hurling through its walls, while cries of "Cuba Libre" filled the air. Out they rushed, only to fall before a deadly volley from a strong force posted behind some neighboring houses. Colonel Muncho, the Spanish officer, bravely rallied his men, but as they formed for a charge, he fell, with a dozen bullets through him. The second in command took his place but he, too, fell in a few seconds' time. The sharpshooters of Hernandez dealing death with a rapidity that rendered the troops panic-stricken. They made one more attempt to charge the blockhouse, but Hernandez' cavalry reserve dashed at them, sweeping through their ranks and cutting a bloody path with their sharp machetes.

In Iowa
DUBUQUE Ia., Jan. 25.—The heaviest storm of the season. High winds, the weather growing colder. The storm is general throughout Northern Iowa.

Below Zero.
CASSELTON, N. D. Jan. 25.—The thermometer here is falling, and it is now 26 deg. below zero. Trains are all blocked, and the cuts are filling in.

Storms.
LONDON, Jan. 25.—The blizzard continues to cause sad havoc throughout Great Britain and Ireland. A number of wrecks have been reported along the coasts. Some lives have been lost as a result of these wrecks, while other persons have frozen to death or perished through exposure in different parts of the country. In several instances it was necessary to dig mail wagons out of the drifts. Traffic across the channel was generally suspended tonight.

Funds Snowed In
PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 25.—All the money in the state treasury, amounting to nearly \$280,000, is stuck in the snow in charge of a guard, of militia, 30 miles east of the city. Governor Lee and the new state officials had insisted on seeing and counting the state cash, in order to see that it was all actually in existence, and the state treasurer was ordered to call in all funds from the various depositories. This was done, and a company of militia was detailed for guard duty to escort the express company's employees, bringing the funds here.

Probate Court.
In the matter of the estate of Geo. W. Neal, deceased, who died January 17, leaving property valued at \$4100, G. L. Neal and W. L. Wade were today appointed executors of the estate, to serve without bonds as was requested in the will. The heirs of the estate are: G. L. Neal, a son, aged 37; Milley Anna Neal, a daughter, aged 39; Malinda J. Wade, a daughter, aged 48; Eli Neal, a son, aged 45; Rhoda Gesner, a daughter, aged 41, all of Salem, and Sarah E. Dennis, aged 42, of Portland. The will, which is quite a lengthy document, was made on March 27, 1895, in the presence of Robert H. Rossiter and Geo. E. Hilton. W. J. Culver, T. L. Golden and Thos. Burrows were named as appraisers of the estate.

Cubans Captured Pelanos.
CINCINNATI, Jan. 25.—The Commercial Tribune special from Key West, says: Another defeat for the Spanish is reported from Pelanos, in the Southern part of Havana province. The place has 1000 inhabitants, is well fortified, and has a Spanish garrison of 600 men, with one field piece. Lieutenant-Colonel Hernandez, in command of the Spanish force, was captured.

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OREGON LEGISLATURE

Situation Monday Morning.

Populists Embittered by the Display of Force.

Knocked Into a Cocked Hat.

Senate Refuses to Recognize the Benson House.

The legislature has entered upon its third week since meeting, but only five days have elapsed for which pay can be drawn. If a permanent organization can be made this week, still thirty-five working days remain. The recognition of the Benson faction by the senate and governor was not considered likely at noon today.

THE DAVIS HOUSE
met Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, adjourned to 10 a. m. Monday and adjourned again to 9 a. m. Tuesday. Seven members attended.

The People's party members have taken no further action but await the action of the senate. If it recognizes the Benson faction, they will be forced to consider the question of coming in or adopting a new line of action. Populist leaders declare that the threatened employment of force to secure the ends of the Benson faction has embittered their constituents so that they may expect anything.

THE BENSONITES
called to order at 11:30 and proceeded to a little routine business. The concurrent resolution of notification is understood to be ordered senate upon its assembling at 2:30 this afternoon. Crawford, the Douglas county leader of the Benson faction, is earnestly pressing forward determined to transact business. The Benson people were all in their seats making quite a show of industry. Several of the Democrats and People's members were also at their desks this forenoon cleaning up correspondence.

The admission of the Statesman Sunday morning that the result of the Benson organization would be endless litigation was commented upon adversely by some of the Benson people.

Douglas county is stirred to the center by the defection of Riddle, who is supported by a large following of the people up there including some of the Republicans who have not been admirers of Judge Riddle. A well-informed politician who came down this morning says that the solid support of Mitchell in that county has changed to vigorous opposition and old staunch Mitchell leaders are lukewarm and indifferent.

BENSON HOUSE—MONDAY FORENOON.
Roll call showed 31 present as follows:

Bridges	Marsh
Brown	Merrill
Chapman	Misener
Conn	Mitchell
Crawford	Nosler
David	Palm
Gratke	Rigby
Gurdane	Smith, of Marion
Hogge	Somers
Hope	Stanley
Hudson	Thomas
Huntington	Thompson
Jennings	Vaughan
Lake	Veness
Langell	Wagner

Mr. Speaker—31.
Somers asked that Riddle of Douglas, be noted as present. It was so ordered.

Gratke declared that the situation was more than a mere party matter and moved that sergeant-at-arms be ordered to bring in the absent members. Carried.
Call of house showed members above to be present.
Adjourned to 2:30 p. m.
The call of the house was not legally made. No one raised the point of no quorum, and the roll was only called for the thirty-one members present. This leaves the record of the Benson house without a minute of those absent. It is their design apparently to go on doing business with 31, trusting to such a "short" organization to elect Mitchell. It is the opinion of Oregon lawyers who are not partisan politicians that the Benson house will lead to endless litigation.

Speaker Benson called the RESOLUTIONS.
Brown offered following:
That the senate be forthwith notified in writing by the chief clerk that the house is permanently organized, and that the concurrent resolution heretofore adopted be withheld until the senate has notified the house officially that the senate is organized. Adopted, 31 ayes.

Crawford of Douglas, was sent with the message, and its fate was as above. Mitchell moved vote of thanks to

State Printer Leeds for supplying the members of the house with stationary at his own expense. Carried.

SENATE—MONDAY AFTERNOON.
Called to order at 2:30, all members present except Brownell, and Carter. Former still ill. Reading of minutes dispensed with.

The reading clerk read the statement from the house informing the senate that no legal permanent organization of the house had been effected and that any messages sent the senate by the illegally organized house should be considered in that light.

BILLS INTRODUCED.
144. Mackay, to amend code section 4,194.
145. Smith, to incorporate the city of Warrenton.

By unanimous consent King introduced resolution No. 15, stating that whereas the house was not reported as organized, resolved that a committee of three senators be appointed to investigate. Parterson, of Marion, moved it be laid upon the table. Lost. Upon an aye and no vote the resolution received 14 ayes and 14 nays, there being a tie the resolution was lost.

Senator Gowan wished to know what the introducer of the resolution proposed to do about it when such committee was appointed. He was fully advised by Senator King. Dr. Driver opposed the resolution.

The roll call was as follows:
Ayes—Bates, Daly, Dawson, Holt, King, Mackay, Mitchell, Mulkey, Parterson, of Washington, Reed, Sellings, Simon, Smith, Wade—14.
Nays—Calbreath, Driver, Dufur, Gesner, Gowan, Harmon, Hazeltine, Hobson, Hughes, Johnson, McClung, Parterson, of Marion, Price, Taylor—14.
Absent—Brownell, Carter—2.

HOUSE RULED OUT.
A message from the house was announced. The chair stated that this was an announcement that the house was organized with Mr. Benson as speaker, and stated that he ruled the communication out of order, as he considered the organization as illegal. President Simon showed from constitution to show no such house as organized by Benson faction could be legally organized.

There was no further taken and the senate went on with its business.

SIMON'S RULING.
Mr. Simon: "As president of the senate I will rule this present communication out of order, for the reason that a previous communication from the only temporary organization, stating that Mr. Benson and R. R. Hays were elected speaker and chief clerk by a house with no quorum, therefore I call for the regular procedure with the business of the senate."

From this ruling no appeal was taken. This is a recognition of the temporary organization of the house by the senate.
The Benson faction say they will yet overrule President Simon when they secure a full attendance. They are making no further effort to transact business in the house.
The opposition received a telegram this afternoon from Senator Morgan sustaining their position on the highest authorities known at Washington, that without a quorum of forty no business whatever can be transacted.

MARKETS.

Talkington, Bottger & Co's., circular for Jan. 25, 1897:

WHEAT.

The grain market continues to move along with small variation in prices. One thing that seems to trouble dealers is that stocks in sight do not decrease so fast as it has been generally supposed they would. While shipments are not heavy, receipts are generally very light, and with such consumption as existed during most of the season, until the beginning of the holidays, there should be greater decrease in the visible supply than is noted in the record. This point is overlooked to some extent, both in this country and in Europe, and cables have been received from the latter inquiring why the decrease is so light. Mills in Minneapolis are running at about half capacity, while in Duluth and Superior the activity is still less, due to dullness in flour markets.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—May wheat opened on board at 80½ and closed at 79½. Cash wheat sold for 77½. Liverpool January wheat 6s 8d to 6s 7½d.

Pianos, \$125.

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Gilbert Bros. have just received a carload of pianos and among the lot is two very fine ones, one in Mahogany and one in oak, these will be sold at \$125, just to introduce them. Anyones wishing a piano will do well to call and see them as no such bargains in pianos was ever offered at such prices before. A fine stool and spread with every instrument. We also have a full line of organs that we will sell all the way from \$35 up; they are standard goods and a full guarantee goes with every instrument.

If anything we sell you is not right all you have to do is to call on Gilbert Bros., and not have to hunt up some one in Portland to make it right.

Call and see for yourselves as all we ask.
1-25 d 3t 2w GILBERT BROS.
Fresh Columbia river smelt at Steiner's market.

FALSE

Reports Circulated in Salem

For Political Effect—Some "Hold-Ups" That Never Took Place.

For the past few weeks Salem people have been exercised over the reports of numerous and almost daily hold-ups, that were represented to have taken place in our city. It hardly seemed probable that our peaceful little city could be transformed so suddenly into headquarters for operations on a large scale of a gang of footpads—and all since our legislature has assembled. The improbability of such crimes was all the more impressed upon our citizens by the unusual frequency of their reported occurrences.

Our citizens naturally used every precaution to protect themselves by riding on the cars instead of walking, but to no avail for scarcely a day passed but that new cases were reported to have been made a victim of a footpad.

Readers of THE JOURNAL called at this office Friday and Saturday and expressed their disgust at the frequency with which holdups and burglaries were reported as transferring and suggested there might be a motive therefor. A writer on THE JOURNAL has traced these rumors of robberies circulated so freely to their source not a little and is surprised at the results of this investigation.

From inquiry of the city police officials it is ascertained that very few reported holdups had been reported to them at all for investigation. It further transpires that the reported holdup of one Reuben Lee on South Commercial street, and that he was robbed of \$18, never took place while a cloud of mystery surrounds the trouble reported to have taken place between R. W. Mitchell, of Portland, and an impudent tramp. Another instance is that of the reported holdup of Mrs. Ed. Burton and Mrs. W. J. Polly, while on their way home from Degree of Honor meeting last Wednesday evening.

There is not a word of truth in the report as Chief Dilley learned upon inquiry at homes of the ladies. It is stated that these numerous holdups were reported merely for political effect, that the appointment of the "Big Ten" special policemen might not appear to the public, the big imposition that it is thought to be, although made in accordance with the mayor's suggestion. Chief Dilley is competent to preserve the place and good order of the city if he is given a force when he needs it.

JOURNAL "X" RAYS.

Directed Upon the Oregon Legislature and Lobby.

Harvey Scott, shake!

Jo Simon is at least an American Hebrew.

Pass the general appropriation bill and go home.

The Salem opera house has not yet fallen down on Mayor Richardson's head.

Wanted. A well authenticated case of hold-up, other than that of John H. Mitchell.

Jo Simon has at least some respect for the constitution of Oregon. He is not a mere political lawyer.

The Oregonian and Senator Dolph are at least unwilling to debase the poor old Oregon constitution.

Mr. Mitchell: "The silver cause seems to have become cyclonic." And John H. seems to have got caught in the cyclone.

The Mitchell organ at Salem quotes all the McKinley organs for the senator's return—including the American Hebrew News.

We have voted ourselves codes, session laws and now give us our pearl handed penknives and let us go home.—Schoolmaster Benson's boys.

The push say with trembling lips: "If you don't elect Mitchell, McBride will alone represent Oregon." He'll make Mitchell senator if anyone does.

After being the organ of gold-standard Dolph, the Statesman now booms Free-Silver Mitchell for senator. It will next advocate a flat-money-Swiss-referendum man if he has a sack.

The hottest skit from the state printing office so far is State Land Agent Davenport's report on the way the state has been defrauded out of its school and lieu lands.

Senator Mitchell's sack is not exhausted. A special edition of the Salem Daily Statesman comes out this morning. The Statesman will now be able to pay off all its mortgages at the banks.

The members who don't expect to vote for Mitchell are not the ones who object to having their names constantly printed in the senator's ad. They laugh in their sleeves, while his real voters must grin and bear it.

THE JOURNAL does not go to the extent that some Oregon newspapers do, nor does it think they are justified in the charge that the two Democratic representatives, Misener and Gratke, have been "procured" by improper influences to act with the Mitchell men, of the lower house, to help them make up the thirty-one, on which they rely to make an organization. We do not believe this any more than we believe the charge that other members are into a combination for personal ends. There is a hard, close fight on, in which leaders, on both sides, are sparring for advantages. In this fight men find themselves lined up in new associations for the protection of common interests. But the charge that personal or selfish interests are at the bottom of this man's or that man's actions is not so easily sustained as proclaimed. Both Gratke and Misener are Democrats and as such must be aware of the fact that they are playing an accommodating part to the Mitchell people. How long they will play that part, or what local interest they are protecting, they best know and are responsible to their constituents only.

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