The Independent

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EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

SALEM, Sept. 26, 1878.

Our law-makers are still at work, and the clerks of the various committees have a little more than plenty to do. One hundred and six bills have been introduced in the House up to the present time, and there are yet more to follow. Surely, if one half of these become laws Oregon will be governed too much.

You have doubtless learned of the provisions of the bill introduced by Representative Campbell in relation to the proposed division of Douglas county, and it is needless for me to speak further upon the subject than to remark that it will pass both Houses of the Legislature, and become a law, unless there is a strong remonstrance against it from Douglas. The fact that the people do not show an objection to its passage will be taken as evidence that they are in favor of it; and under these circumstances our people should act as best suits their wishes.

The most important bill to tax payers yet introduced is that of Senator George, of Multnomah, to "provide for equal and uniform taxation, and for the equalization of State taxation among the several counties of the State." The bill provides for the appointment by the Governor of a State Tax Commissioner, who shall assess, for State purposes, all property not exempt by the law. The Commissioner is to have a general supervision of all assessments, and instruct the assessors and equalize all assessments made according to the strict cash value of all property. After the time allowed for the hearing of complaints of over valuations, and the Commissioner has notified the people of the various counties of the equalized aggregates of the assessable property in each county, the Secretary of State is required "in the first one of the two intervening years between the regular sessions of the Legislature to apportion to each county its proportion thereof of the aggregate of all appropriations made for that year out of the general fund during the entire session of the preceeding Legislature, according to the proportion which the equalized assessment of each county bears to equalized assessment of all the counties in the aggregate, and to notify the County Clerk of each county of the amount apportioned, and the amount apportioned to each county shall be deemed a tax levied on the real and personal property therein, which amount the county shall pay to the State of Oregon as taxes are now paid, and the tax shall be applied only on the separate specific appropriations of the session of the Legislature, and the next year he shall apportion the remaining appropriations made by the Legislature out of the general fund for the second year, according to the same provisions in every respect as with the appropriations of the first year by the Legislature; and in case of any appropriations of the general fund made by any called session of the Legislature, in either of the two years, the same shall also be apportioned at any time thereafter according to the same provisions and with like force and effect." The purpose of the bill is, as all will see, to prevent the State from adding to the indebtedness of the State, and for equal and just taxation. It can be said in connection with this bill, that without an increase of indebtedness there can be no increase of interest, and that it will have the effect, in the end, to forbid uncalled for or experimental appropriations, since every member of the State will more directly, with this bill a part of the Statute, feel that when he votes to appropriate the public moneys, he votes to increase his own taxes in proportion and at once.

There are several propositions under consideration for the future care of the insane of our State. One is, that the present price of keeping them shall be reduced the matter of 50 cents per person per week; another is to appropriate moneys for the erection of an asylum on the Penitentiary grounds; a third, effect a contract for their keeping for four years more; a fourth, to compel each county to take care of its own insane. The State is too deeply in debt to think of building an an asylum at the Penitentiary, or any other place. In four years from now, by setting aside the interest that will accrue from proper funds set aside for the purpose, there will be sufficient money to build an asylum, and the State can go on with the work of construction without creating an interest bearing debt in addition to the very large one interest is now annually paid upon. As for the proposition that the counties shall care respectively for the insane, I hope it will be abandoned. Each county, if it is adopted, will be compelled to incur heavy expense in the erection of proper asylums, and in the treatment of a few patients each county will pay more every year proportionately than is now paid for the keeping up of the State asylum under the present system. If extra cost to the people is to be made by the building of county asylums—more in the aggregate, perhaps, than the cost of building two State asylums—and then the cost of keeping patients in the aggregate to be increased, I cannot see what there is in the proposition favorable to it. K.

COOS COUNTY.

NORWAY, Ogn. Sept. 20.

A light rain, the first of the season, descends silently, softly and slow, as it it feared it might wake the Coquillers.

Many people are leaving this Valley in search of "better times." Even the ministers of the gospel appear to have given us over to hardness of heart and reprobacy of mind, and are going too.

Two drunks in Coquille City yesterday, both *talented* men. What a pity—such Herculean minds, too.

Mr. Dean, of Rolling Falls, on the North Fork, has his saw mill nearly ready to run. This will help that section very much, as heretofore lumber had to be hauled a long distance over a rough road. OBS.

AN editor of a newspaper has to provide matter for many different tastes. Some wish it, like their beefsteak, well done; others rare. Some prefer it well spiced. Tastes differ. Some articles of substantial food are relished by all; but they require some light food in form of dessert. Therefore he caters for all. The feast prepared to please his readers is not always relished by himself.

The man who fainted at a camp meeting was sadly disappointed. He expected that a dozen men would rush up, pull whisky flasks out of their pockets, and give him a drink to revive him. The flasks were forthcoming, but they didn't contain enough liquor to moisten his lips. He fainted too late in the day.

THE Secretary of War has issued, through the keeper of Confederate archives in custody of the War Department, a tender of free access thereto to the Southern Historical Society, which, in accepting, has tendered to the Government a like privilege to the papers in its possession.

THE letter-boxes at Livepool have a spring attached to the flap, and when a letter is pushed in, a plate moves and shows the hour of the last clearance. People can thus tell if they are in time for a certain mail, and a check is had on the postman charged with emptying the box.

The London *Times* says General Butler has left the Republicans with the hope of assuming command of the "political bedlams," "the the black cloud of irregular and undisciplined marauders that hover on the outskirts of war and and threaten both parties at once.

A sale of 60,000 pounds of Oregon wool was effected in San Francisco on the 14th instant at 21 cents per pound.

CITY ELECTION.

On the first Monday of next month the election of city officers will be held. The discussion of the qualifications of candidates has already been commenced. In the *Star* of Friday the 20th an article appeared over the signature of "Tax-Payer." The writer indulges in some pertinent reflections about fires, etc. Had the writer stopped here his views would have been appreciated and applauded; instead, however, he proceeds to drag the office of City Marshal into prominence. This office is no more important than any other; it is just as essential that the duties of one office should be properly executed as those of another. It follows naturally, that "Tax-payer" has a candidate to push into prominence, and in order to do so, makes a covert attack upon an honorable and capable citizen, whose official record in this county is such that any citizen would be proud of. The attack is so pointed that the purpose in view cannot be mistaken. We do not believe that the article in question was inspired by any of the gentlemen whose names have been announced as candidates for Marshal. They are gentlemen of too much manhood, too much self-respect to engage in the filthy business of decrying an honest citizen's qualifications. The article signed "Tax-Payer," bears the ear marks of the editor of the *Star*.

It makes no difference to what party the City Marshal belongs if he is capable and honest, and *not a tool in the hands of a political trickster who will not scruple to use official power to execute private vengence.* The candidates whose names have announced are men who would honor the city in any position and with us it is a matter of some hestitation as to which one shall receive our vote.

Sad News.

It is with feelings of sorrow we announce the sudden death of Mr. Thomas H. Cox, of Salem. By his strict integrity, business qualifications and gentlemanly deportment, Mr. Cox had established an enviable reputation that reached far beyond the city and county in which he lived. He was a Mason of high standing and by his brothers regarded as an eminent and useful member of that order, and organized the Lodge in this city. Called away to a higher and more exalted field of labor without a moment's warning, we doubt if any man was ever better prepared to meet his Maker than was Thomas H. Cox.

Let It Be Remembered.

A man who will use his official position to wreak private vengence can not be safely entrusted with that power. Men of independent principle and who have the welfare of the city *at heart* will "make a note of this" at the city election. A HINT now, but probably a little more explicit in our next.

The telemachon is the latest invention. It is an instrument for the conveyance of motive power from one place to another. It is proposed to concentrate the power of the Niagaria falls by means of slusing and shafting and convey the same by electrity all over the United States. The wire is to be taped at all the great manufacturing establishment and jets of power turned off. In this way the power of all the machinery in the United States is to be supplied by the Niagaria falls, perhaps.

IT NEVER has been said and never will be said that the DOUGLAS INDEPENDENT has feared to express its views when the interests of the people are involved. The coming city election will be carefully watched and any "job" will receive prompt attention. Our citizens want honest and efficient men for office. They will have them. ☞There is another week before the election.

TOWN AND COUNTY.

Rain cometh.

Freight trains are making trips regular.

The Western Star Minstrels perform to-night.

Mr. Long, of Comstocks, came up Thursday night. He comes to take proceedings against a man whom he has reason to believe set fire to his barn recently.

MR. JAS. CHENEWETH'S BILL.

A bill for an Act to amend Title 1, Chapter 50 of public roads and private ways, toll roads, Ferries, Bridges, and travel on public highways as compiled in General Laws of Oregon by M. P. Deady and Lafayette Lane, by striking out Sections 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and inserting the following:

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 18. That the County Assessor annually shall assess for road puposes in each county, two dollars for each one thousand dollars assessed for State and County purposes; and at the same time the assessment is made there shall be levied a poll-tax of three dollars on every qualified voter in the State (except persons who are a public charge) under fifty years of age; which poll tax, and the amount of assessment aforesaid, shall be collected in each county as other taxes are collected, and when so collected shall constitute a road fund, to be managed and expended by each County court. Said fund to be expended in making, laying out and working county roads, and shall be apportioned to road districts where this fund is raised. And it shall be the duty of each County Assessor to keep separate statements of assessments and levy of poll tax made in each county.

SEC. 19 It shall be the duty of the County Clerk, of each county, to furnish annually to the Supervisior of each road district the amount of money expended on the road or roads in each road district And the Supervisor shall have the work done on the roads in his road district upon the most advantageous terms to the road district, either by contract or by the Supervisor hiring the work done: and when said work is done, whether by contract or otherwise, said Supervisor shall give his certificate to the proper parties having done the work, that it has been done according to his plans or orders, and that payment thereof should be made—upon which certificate the said county court shall proceed to examine the accounts, and if found correct shall allow the amount and issue warrants on the County Treasurer for the payment of the same. Each road district shall own sufficient implements for road work.

SEC. 20. That every election precinct in each county shall be divided into one or more road districts by the County Court of each county in this State, and that there shall be elected at each general election by the electors of said road district a Supervisor for said district, who shall hold his office for the term of two years, and shall take an oath before entering upon the discharge of his duties to faithfully discharge the duties of his office as Supervisor, and shall in all respects qualify as other county officers. His term of office shall commence and end with that of other county officers. And if required by the County Court, the Supervisor shall enter into an undertaking with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Court, in such sum as the Court may specify not exceeding one thousand dollars, to the effect that he will faithfully account for and pay over to his successor all moneys, and deliver all property to him that may be in his possession by virtue of his office. The County Court may at any time remove from office any Supervisor who shall refuse or wilfully neglect to perform his duty as such. And all vacancies shall be filed by petition of the legal voters of said district to the County Court for that purpose.

SEC. 21. All warrants issued for work performed on the roads of this State shall be received for county taxes in the counties where said warrants were issued.

SEC. 22. That the compensation of the Supervisor of each county shall not exceed two dollars per day for each day actually employed in the transaction of road business.

SEC. 23. It shall be the duty of the Supervisor of Roads to open, or cause to be opened, all public roads which may have been, or may hereafter be laid out and established according to law in any part of his district, and shall keep the same in good repairs. For the purpose of making, repairing or improving roads the several Supervisors, or those working under them, shall have authority to enter upon any land adjoining or near the public road, and gather, dig and carry away any stone or gravel or sand, and cut down and carry off any trees or wood necessary for the making and repairing any public road as aforesaid. And said Supervisor may purchase timber, plank or other material necessary for making or repairing roads in his district. He may enter upon lands adjoining or lying near any public road in his district, and cut, open or construct such drains and ditches as he shall deem necessary for making or preserving said roads, doing as little injury as may be to such lands. And any person stopping or obstructing the drains or ditches so made, shall forfeit the sum of twenty dollars for each offence, to be recovered and appropriated for the improvement of said road. The Supervisor is authorized to bring suit for all forfeitures in his official name, and the costs of all suits hereby authorized to be brought by the Supervisor, if decided adversely to him, shall be allowed him in his yearly settlement according to the amount paid.

SEC. 24. That no surveyor, viewer, or reviewer, chain carrier or marker shall receive any compensation until the Supervisor shall certify to the County Court that they were necessarily employed, the number of days for which they claim pay, and that they have complied with the requirements of this Chapter.

That section 29, of the law now in force, shall stand as section 25, and Section 30 as 26, and Section 37 as 27, and Section 39 as 29.

All acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

NEW TO-DAY.

TELLURIUM QUARTZ MINING CONPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual election of officers of the Tellurium Quartz Mining Company, will be held at Canyonville, Douglas county, Oregon, on the 6th day of November, A. D., 1878, commencing at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing 5 or more Directors, one President of Board of Directors, one Secretary, one Treasurer, one Superintendent and to transact any other business the interest of the company demands.

E. A CHASE, Secretary.

SHERIFF'S SALE ON EXECUTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY virtue of a certain writ of execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Douglas, upon a judgment rendered in the said Court, on the 23d day of May, 1878, in favor of D. A Levi s and against Robert Sullinger for the sum of one thousand and tiree dollars and 13-100th ($1,003 13) dollars, directed to me, commanding me to levy upon the personal property of Robert sullinger, as is not exempt from execution and if sufficient personal property cannot be found, then out of the real property belonging to him, on the 23d day of May, 1878, or at any time thereafter, to satisfy said judgment and interest, together with all legal accruing costs thereon

NOW THEREFORE, in pursuance of the said writ of execution, I have levied upon the following described real property, belonging to said Robert Sullinger, to-wit: The S W quarter of the S W quarter of section fifteen (15) and the N E quarter of the N W quarter of section twenty-two (22) township thirty (30) South of range four (4) west, containing eighty (80) acres. Also the East half of the N E quarter of section No. twenty-one (21) and the West half of the N W quarter of section No. twenty-two (22) in township No thirty (30) South of range four (4) west, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres, situate in Douglas County, regon, and containing in all two hundred and forty (240) acres and further I will sell all the right, title and interest of the said Robert Sullinger in and to the premises described as aforesaid, together with all and singular, the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging at public auction, to the highest bidder for gold coin, at the Court house door in the City of Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, on Saturday, the 26th day of October, 1878, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day to satisfy said judgment, together with all legal accruing costs thereon.

Dated this 20th day of Sept., 1878.

F. P. HOGAN,
Sheriff of Douglas County, Ogn.

NOTICE.

Placer Mining.
U. S. LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG, OR.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT D. A. Levens, whose postoffice address is Canyonville, Douglas county, State of Oregon, has made application for patent for placer claim, No. 37, in the Green Mountain Mining District, situated in Douglas county, Oregon, on unsurveyed lands described as follows: Beginning at the junction of Brandy Gulch with Hogum creek as the initial point; thence N. 2 degrees, 30 minutes, 6.50 chains, to a yew post 3 feet long and 4 inches in diameter, marked on four sides, "M. S.," also "C." and "37" set for N. E. corner claim as post No, 1. thence S, 8.50 chains to post No 2; thence S 20 degrees W 10.50 chains to post No. 3; thence S. 19 00 chains to post No. 4; thence S. 16 degrees E 10 00 chains to post No. 5; thence S 30 degrees E 6 55 chains to post 6; thence W. 3.64 chains to post No. 7; thence N. 30 degrees W 5.55 chains to post 8; thence N 16 degrees W 10.00 chains to post 9; thence N. 19.00 chains to post No. 10; thence N 20 degrees E 10.50 chains to post No. 11; thence N. 8.50 chains to post No. 12; thence E 3.74 chains to post No. 1; being the above described yew post, 24. inches in point of beginning and containing twenty acres according to plat of survey filed in the Register's office by Surveyor General of the State of Oregon.

The foregoing described claim of D. A. Levens is of record; the said applicant, D. A Levens, having acquired the said claim by purchase from John Stephens, who purchased the same from Joseph Ramsey, the original locator;—all of which is a matter of record in the recorder's office of Douglas county, Oregon; and now known as "D. A. Leven's Placer Mining Claim," joined on the east, south and west by unsurveyed Government land, and on the north by ground claimed by L. D. Montgomery.

All adverse claims must be filed in the United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, on or before the expiration of this notice. It is hereby ordered that the above notice be published for sixty days in the DOUGLAS INDEPENDENT a weekly newspaper published at Roseburg, Oregon.

Given under my hand this 5th of August, 1878. W. F. BENJAMIN, Register.

Notice

Of Sale in the matter of the estate of Loren Davis.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to an order heretofore made by the County Court of Douglas County Oregon, I will on the fifth day of October A. D., 1878, at one o'clock in the afternoon at the Court house door, in Roseburg Douglas County, Oregon, sell at public auction, for cash in hand to the highest bidder, subject to widow's dower, the following described real estate belonging to the Estate of Loren Davis, deceased, to-wit.

The Donation Land Claim of Robert McKee, containing 149 and 22-100th acres; all that part of the Donation Land Claim of Robert Phipps, that lies north of the South Umpua river, containing 120 acres more or less—the S E quarter of Sec 28, Frac N E quarter of Sec 34, N W quarter, Frac S W quarter and N half of S E quarter, N W quarter of N E quarter of Sec 33, W half of E half and N E quarter of N E quarter of Sec 27 of T 28, S of R 6, W of Willamettee meridian, containing 932 and 18-100th acres and containing in the aggregate 1,261 and 40-100th acres more or less. All of said land being situated in Douglas County, Oregon FRANK DAVIS.

Administrator of the estate of Loren Davis, deceased.

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