

NINE MEN DROPPED

Police Commissioners Cut Down the Force.

RETRENCHMENT WAS NECESSARY

Statement Issued Giving Reasons for Curtailing the Force—Those Who Were Let Out.

The Police Commissioners reduced the police force last evening by discharging nine patrolmen, and the humane officer, and accepting the resignations of one clerk and the humane officer. The dismissals are as follows: J. L. Williams, humane officer; Patrolman Fred Mallet, W. O. Stitt, C. Venable, H. A. Parker, P. Murray, C. L. DuBois, M. Walker, J. M. Harrison, and J. W. Cole. These take effect on June 26. The resignations accepted to go in effect also on June 26, are those of J. Roberts, clerk, and S. C. Beach, humane officer. All the Commissioners were present, excepting James E. Hunt, and the commission adjourned until Tuesday evening, July 3, when the further reduction of the force may be considered, although it is stated that these are all the changes that will be made in the present. The cause of the action is found in the state of the police fund. At the present state of the force, with running expenses \$2500 a month, the commission would have faced on January 1, 1901, a deficit of at least \$12,000 for the year.

Statement of Commissioners.

The commission submit as an explanation of their action, and in justice to the men dismissed, the following official statement: "In making these reductions in the police force, the Commissioners express their regret that circumstances should have demanded them. The officers relieved are, without exception, able, efficient and honorable men; there is no choice in this respect between those removed and those who remain; that some go and some stay is but the natural chance of the situation. That situation is briefly as follows: Economical Policy Followed.

"The expenses of the police force under the present commission have averaged about \$500 per month, or about upward of \$6000 some few years back. There have been employed by the present commission 45 patrolmen, against 25 in 1898, 30 in 1899, 30 in 1900, and 27 in 1901. The number of patrolmen which Portland should have to reach the average, in proportion to population, which is common to all the cities of the Union is 100. The total expenses of the department have been reduced by the present commission from about \$800 per month to about \$550. The department was therefore keeping within the 1% millage allowed by the present charter, and giving the city as good service as it has ever had.

"Effort of Reduced Assessment. "Mr. Greenleaf, the Assessor, however, has seen fit to reduce the estimate to about \$12,000,000, making a difference to the income of the police department of nearly \$20,000. To properly meet this cut, the police department would have to be so radically reduced that, considering our area of 25,500 acres, and our 100,000 population, it would simply be a farce, a byword and a reproach among our sister cities. It would leave our city with eight to ten officers on a shift to cover from the Cornell road to Mount Tabor, and from Soloway to University Park, on both sides of the river.

"Force Cut to Verge of Safety. "The commission believe the safety of life and property too serious to be trifled with, and would rather face the people with a deficit than to sacrifice the welfare and reputation of the city. They have, however, deemed themselves obliged to cut to the very verge of safety, and that is the reason for the present reductions and the discharge of good and able officers. "The cut was generally expected among police officers, but it was generally anticipated that the reduction would be more radical.

WON BY MULTNOMAH.

Interesting Game of Cricket Yesterday—Vancouver Wants a Match.

A very interesting cricket match was played yesterday afternoon between a picked team consisting of several good players of the "Lancers," Captain Astbury and Gibson, from Astoria, and the balance made up from the best players in Portland, against the picked 11 of the M. A. C. Some very good play was shown by Van Heekeren with 20 runs and Dr. Emswath for the combined team, while Barfoot, Scott, Lawrence, Lumair, Gilman and Pattullo batted in fine form for M. A. C. Lawrence, Lumair and Barfoot got the wickets for Multnomah, Gilman holding splendidly and bagging three five-outings.

For the combined team, Mackenzie, Astbury, Van Heekeren, Emswath and Barfoot were the wicket-keepers between them. Fitcher kept wickets very well for Multnomah, only allowing a few byes to pass. Dr. Emswath did some smart work at "batting" and saved many runs. The fielding all round was above the average, few misses being made. Following are the scores: Combined Eleven—Astbury bowled Lumair, 1; Barfoot caught Gilman, bowled Lumair, 1; Fitcher caught Van Heekeren, bowled Lumair, 1; Mackenzie bowled Barfoot, 1; Lumair caught Van Heekeren, bowled Lumair, 1; Dr. Emswath caught Cawston, bowled Lawrence, 1; Van Heekeren caught Barfoot, bowled Lawrence, 1; Astbury caught Van Heekeren, bowled Lawrence, 1; Fitcher caught Gilman, bowled Lawrence, 1; Whitehead not out, 9; Extras, 5. Total, 60.

Multnomah—Fitcher caught T. Fenwick, bowled Barr 9; Barfoot bowled Mackenzie, 2; Pattullo caught Van Heekeren, bowled Mackenzie, 1; Lawrence caught Barr, bowled Emswath, 1; Lumair run out, A. M. Cawston, 1; Scott bowled Van Heekeren, 1; Cawston caught and bowled Astbury, 1; Latta caught Emswath, bowled Van Heekeren, 1; Extras, 5. Total, 135. Captain Lawrence of the M. A. C. has just received a letter from H. Leckwood, secretary of the Vancouver (B. C.) Cricket Club, stating that they wished to play an all-Oregon team in Portland either in July or August. Each team from British Columbia that has visited Oregon has been beaten, and it is intended that the "nobles" shall remain in Oregon this year. A special meeting will shortly be called to arrange to meet the strength of Oregon to play against the Vancouver team, and fix dates, etc.

The last team from Vancouver arrived here in 1897, and played two matches. They were entertained while here with a banquet at the Hotel Portland to wind up with. The grounds were thrown open to the public. Two of the best First Regiment band played, and the ladies poured tea Saturday afternoon. Altogether the event was the most successful of its kind that ever took place in this city. A very strong team was chosen, the best of the Vancouver players, but there are a great

many more players here now than there were then, and a stronger team can be selected now. The prospects of another such event has caused quite a boom in cricket clubs, and hard practice will be indulged in at once.

ASK EMPLOYERS' ASSISTANCE

Colonel Everett Requests That Men Go to O. N. G. Encampment.

Colonel Everett, commanding the Third Regiment, Oregon National Guard, yesterday issued orders for the Fourth of July parade and took occasion to mention the annual state encampment, which will be held at Salem July 7 to 12. He asks that employers of men in the regiment grant them vacations during this period, as follows: "It is earnestly requested that every effort be made to insure the fullest possible attendance in camp, and in this connection the commandant earnestly appeals to merchants and employers generally throughout the city to facilitate the accomplishment of the advantages to be gained by this encampment and

FIGURE FOR THE D. P. THOMPSON FOUNTAIN.



The above is a representation of the bronze elk for the D. P. Thompson fountain, received by H. O. Wright, who is to erect the fountain, from the Henry Bernard Bronze Company, of New York, by whom the figure was cast. The material for the fountain is now on the way to this city, and the work of preparing the site for it, between the plaza blocks, will be commenced in a few days.

which are of such paramount importance to the interests of the regiment by a generous and interested effort to arrange for the necessary absence from work of their clerks and employees during the interval of the encampment.

Other matters mentioned in the order are: "The regiment will parade in fatigue uniform, campaign hats, web belts and leggings on Wednesday, July 4, 1900, to take part in the general parade given for the citizens of Portland in commemoration of the National holiday. Assembly at 8:15 o'clock P. M. Field and staff will report to the Colonel (mounted), and non-commissioned staff, band and field music to the Adjutant at the same hour and place.

"Company A will proceed from its home station at Oregon City to Portland on the Fourth of July in time to report to the Adjutant at these headquarters by 7:45 o'clock P. M. armed and equipped in accordance with the requirements as set forth in paragraph 1 of this order. "The expense necessary for the trip will be arranged by the commanding officer, Company A, with the Fourth of July Committee of this city. "The following-named officers having been commissioned by the Commander-in-Chief and reported for duty, they are hereby assigned as follows: Major E. C. Yemmer, Surgeon, rank from June 7, 1900; Captain R. L. Gillespie, Assistant Surgeon, rank from June 7, 1900; Captain M. S. Jamieson, Company G, rank from June 4, 1900; Second Lieutenant W. A. Phatts, Company G, rank from June 4, 1900. They will be respected and obeyed accordingly."

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SUBLIMITY OF YOSEMITE

EDWARD T. PARSONS WRITES OF ITS MANIFOLD WONDERS.

Urges Fellow Mountaineers to Visit the Famous Valley, for Mountain-Climbing Experiences.

"The most gifted writers of the world," writes Mr. Edward T. Parsons, from San Francisco, to the executive officers of the Mazama Club of this city, "have found language inadequate to depict and describe the wonders and beauties of the Yosemite Valley; nor can words convey to those who have never seen it the charms, the magnificence, the rhythm and the color tones of the ever-changing lights and shadows on its wonder-pleasing

Wawona, we entered the valley while the higher peaks were veiled in the clouds. The next day the peaks remained unshrouded from our gaze, so we visited Vernal Falls, taking a four-mile tramp through the valley and up a grade over a fine trail to gaze through its canon, up under the fall and to its edge, where we could look upon its face of misty fleeciness and down the canon the Merced River follows to the valley. "The next day our party tramped to Glacier Point, in the clouds, and I continued on to Sentinel Dome, 525 feet high, which was reached in a driving snow storm, after an hour's hard climbing from Glacier Point, through soft snow and open spaces in the forests. Sentinel Dome. "The dome is a granite bubble, at one time pushed up in plastic form; cooling, its face cracked in different directions, and while contracting, the surface scaled off in large, concave shells which have mostly disintegrated into coarse granitic sand, leaving the parent mass rounded and dome-shaped, as are nearly all the so-called 'bubbles' of this region. "I returned to Glacier Point, after

half an hour at the summit, in time to enjoy a magnificent panorama of the higher peaks to the East—the North Dome, the Basket Dome, Mount Watkins, the Half Dome, Clouds Rest, Mount Gardner and Mount Starr King. Snow could be seen Nevada and Vernal Falls, sparkling in the momentary sunshine, as the clouds broke away for half an hour or so. I reached the Sentinel Hotel in time for 8 o'clock dinner. From the floor of the valley, about 400 feet above the level of the sea, to Glacier Point, is a 2300-foot rise; from Glacier Point to Sentinel Dome, 525 feet. "The following day, with a party of friends, I tramped past Vernal and Nevada Falls again to the Little Yosemite Valley, and from there climbed to the top of Liberty Cap, with an altitude of 702 feet, from which we viewed the entire surrounding region. Especially interesting did we find South, or Half Dome. Just north, towering above us to the height of 8321 feet, its south convex face showing veins and cracks, pathily to be seen through the binocular. "The summit of Liberty Cap is in itself a most interesting geological study. On the northeast side, there are found large scales or shells which had been broken off in the process of cooling from the original igneous condition. Under one of these (at least six feet thick) was a cavern, in which a dozen people could have stood, and this shaft was at least 50 feet across and of an irregular contour. In another place was a piece of granite of clam-shell shape, at least 25 feet across, and if placed concave side up, it would have held water enough for a small swimming bath. Disintegration of the cap of the dome had split off several large boulders, and the surface was cracked. In places there were holes, about a foot deep, with granite bottoms and full of the finest drinking water. Even on this bleak and uninviting summit, a few mountain plants had gained a foothold and were sturdy fighting for existence. Lower down from the summit of Liberty Cap the heather bloom was in bloom, and many varieties of plant life gave promise of flowering later. From the top of Liberty Dome the Jew of the Little Yosemite was most complete and entrancing. Inspiration Point. "Not having seen the celebrated view from Artist's Point and Inspiration Point for many years, our party determined to terminate the excursion by starting at 9 o'clock the next morning, to photograph and view Bridal Veil Falls, and thence we went on to Artist's Point, for photographs there. Then we proceeded to Inspiration Point, where we enjoyed our lunch, while contemplating the valley from this most fittingly named outlook. Here we got good photos of the entire valley, with fine cloud effects in the distance, on Clouds Rest, and, soon afterward, we took the stage on the way out to Wawona. "The next day we spent at Wawona, where we visited the Martineau big trees and I was fully convinced of their great size when I vainly attempted to focus on a 5x7 plate, the Grizzly King, which is 20 feet high, and 106 feet in circumference—one of many noble trees, all of which impress one with their great size, antiquity and majesty. "The best authorities, including Dr. David Starr Jordan, place the age of the largest trees at from 000 to 10,000 years, thus making them older than any work of man of which archeologists have any knowledge, as well as older than any other

form of life. May they not be styled the greatest and most interesting wonder of the world?"

LAST OF THE SEASON.

Musical Club's Closing Concert by Anna Miller Wood.

The programme for the fourth and last concert to be given this season by the Musical Club is one of much interest, embracing of Scotch, old French and old Italian songs, as well as those by modern composers. Among the latter, special interest will center in the songs by Arthur Foote, since Miss Anna Miller Wood, who gives the recital, is the solo contralto in the Boston church of which Mr. Foote is organist, and hence has been coached in them by the composer himself. Miss Wood calls her voice a "mezzo-contralto." Before she made Boston her home she hailed from San Francisco. The Burlington Hotel in Portland. That was several years ago, at which time she sang at one of the Klingenberg-Courson concerts. Following is the programme in full for Thursday evening: "Wiegand's.....14th century "Serenade".....Sirius "L'est Mon Ami".....Godeard "Bergotte".....Old French air "En Reve".....Christie "Embarque".....Godeard "Persian Song".....Hummel "The Flying South".....Foote "Irish Folk Song".....Foote "Love Me If I Live".....Foote "Gin il Sole".....Sarfatti "Whit Thou Be My Dearest".....Foote "My Boy Tammy".....Old Scotch air "Von Welger Liebe".....Brahms "Sonntag".....Brahms "The Sea Hath Its Pearls".....Franz "Fruehling und Liebe".....Franz

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