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Three of our light weight citizens formed themselves into a committee to inform the Review that a movement was on foot to secure free delivery of our mail. As we understand the law it requires a certain amount of revenue at the post office to make a petition therefore effective and this can only be evaded by annexation to our suburb up the river, our views concerning which are expressed elsewhere in this issue.

The Commercial club met in regular session Wednesday evening at the club rooms. There was not such an attendance as the importance of that body deserves. To be sure a large number of the members are away on vacation, and at this time of the year all the members feel more or less lazy and unambitious, just like other people; but this club is, or should be, the main spring to the advancement of St. Johns and the rooms should be crowded every meeting night. There are a number of very important matters to be taken up by the club as soon as possible and our boys should get into line with a still backbone and plenty of ammunition for a vigorous campaign.

There was a rotten deal brought to our attention Friday evening, where a young man, a mere boy, was heavily drunk; reeling and falling in the street, with his sister beside him crying as if her heart would break. If the people want saloons here and will vote them in, we are willing they should have them good and plenty until they are satisfied—because we can't help it; but if a saloon man has no more sense or manhood than to sell liquor to minors, much or little, nothing would give us more pleasure than to see him given the limit of the law, and there is not a citizen in the town worthy of the name "citizen" who would not bring such a criminal to justice if within his power. Of course the saloon man will say he did not sell to a minor, that some one entitled by age to make the purchase did so and gave it to the boy. If such be the case it will be much to the saloon-keeper's good, if he can prove that fact, to voluntarily do so. It is had enough to sell the stuff to a full grown man who has no more sense than to make a hog of himself by using too much at a time; but when it comes to making such men out of innocent and ignorant boys, it is going the limit, and comes under the ban of the law, where it is the imperative duty of every decent citizen to lose no opportunity to bring the offender to justice.

Anent the gas franchises which have been considered for so long a period that it is not so serious a question it would appear a standing joke, we wish to express an opinion, let it be worth much or little, and ask our readers to each consider the matter for himself and express to the councilmen at their convenience their opinion on the subject during the coming week. We have three franchises before the council. The first, known as the Steel franchise, we have considered out of the question from the very first and every effort on the part of its promoters was more and more damaging to its effectiveness. The second, Mr. Purse's franchise, while it has many good features, there are too many that are not so good, and what the newly revised franchise may bring forth we may not know until the next council meeting. But to us, considering it as it presented for a private business transaction between the gas company and ourselves, we would consider the last one presented, known as the Davison franchise, as far superior to the others. For the reasons that this franchise brings the gas into the houses to the meters free and no charge is made for the meters; it provides that the gas shall have a specified quality as to calorific and lighting properties up to the highest standard; also secures to the city a sliding scale of remuneration increasing as the franchise becomes more valuable by the increase in population and at the same time provides for a reduction in the price to consumers as the increased production will enable the company to make it cheaper; added to this, the offer of this franchise to furnish the gas heating stoves and ranges at cost to the patrons of the company, makes it, we think, the fairest and best proposition yet offered in the gas franchise contest both as regards the city and the patrons of the company. Unless something better than has been yet offered comes to the fore, we sincerely hope this last franchise may be successfully passed to record, because we believe it is about the most economical proposition that can be offered in good faith.

LOSE YOUR HAMMER.

Don't be a Knocker. Bury your hammer so deep that nothing but the trumpet of the angel Gabriel will ever disturb its rest. If you ever see or hear of anything that is wrong in the city instead of going to every new comer and filling his ears with your tale of woe, go to the commercial club, the city council or business men's association, when we get one, and make your spiel. It does no good to stand on the street corners and howl till they can hear you four blocks trying to advertise the fact that the town is going to Davy Jones sixty seconds a minute, for it isn't. It is going the other way 24 hours a day, and if you don't hang on with your teeth you're going to get left. There is not a better prospect for a city of a half million inhabitants in the state of Oregon or any other state. And this is not hot air. It is plain, cold facts. There is not a finer site for such a city, there is no better harbor on the Pacific coast, with a water front on three sides of it, with all the immense products of the Northwest tributary to its growth and greatness, all it needs is men with push and energy to shove a good thing along.

We have heard one or two of our good friends, we say good friends, because we like them and they are good fellows, but they have got off on the wrong foot when they pipe up, "we must annex ourselves to Portland." It is the worst folly ever uttered by a sensible, hard headed business man, and makes us think we have misjudged such a one when we have estimated him as that kind of a man. Who wants to be the tail to a dog anyway? It would be better to pay twice as much for our facilities and conveniences and have the control of them ourselves than to have a city ten miles away dictating what we shall have here, where when a complaint goes in the complainer will be dead and forgotten before action can be had on the complaint. Don't let any more of us get the mistaken idea that annexation to Portland is a cure for our ills. Read the Peoples Press, edited by one of the brightest and best writers in the state. While you are reading have the gumption to read between the lines and see if you want to be up against the same things that our good brother is fighting against there. Know, too, that if we are annexed to Portland, that is just what we will have. Then take off your coat, get your American back up, spit on your hands and take a fresh hold. Swear, (if you are a swearing man, and if not, affirm) by the great American eagle that we are going to be ST. JOHNS, and "fight it out on that line if it takes all summer." It makes us laugh to hear a man talk of annexation to Portland as a matter of economy and convenience.

MEET FARMERS HALF WAY.

This week two good farmers from the Tualatin valley drove over to St. Johns with loads of butter, eggs and vegetables, taking advantage of the ferry accommodations to come to St. Johns to do their trading and sell their products. When they reached St. Johns they could not sell their loads and were compelled to drive on to Portland to dispose of their wares.

This is the story that has been told us by two or three responsible men whose veracity we know to be good. It presents a problem our business men must meet. The question is to meet it in the best possible manner. There is no doubt but our business men want all the business they can get. That is natural. It is also true that they cannot secure the trade of the Tualatin farmers if they must pay the freight of 35 cents per and then drive from St. Johns to Portland to dispose of their produce.

These farmers, we believe should be given the preference over the Chinamen who run the local gardens, for the reason that the former are permanent citizens and their money will be spent in St. Johns if they are patronized, while the chink and other foreign gardeners soon as they have acquired a sufficient sum to satisfy them, return to their own country and spend their money there, doing this country no good.

We believe it would be well for our Commercial club to take this matter up vigorously and endeavor to secure a meeting of representatives of these good farmers and the business men of the city and see if some definite arrangement cannot be made to handle their products. The fruits, vegetables, dairy and poultry products coming fresh from the farms are much more desirable than those which are shipped from outside through the commission houses of Portland, as some of the vegetables on the market here have demonstrated. Let us then get in touch with our friends on the other side of the ridge and give them a square deal, meeting them half way at least.

The 46th annual catalogue of the Oregon state fair, to be held at Salem September 16th to 21st inclusive, reached our table too late for notice last week. It is a work of art, beautifully illustrated, printed on fine book paper, neatly bound with a unique binding, contains 100 pages and as few typographical errors as will be found in any high class publication of today. Altogether, it is another laurel to the fame of Willis S. Duniway, our state printer. The list of premiums cover a very wide range of subjects and everybody and his girl should find something therein to attract an exhibit.

Collier's was recently patted on the back, called "em," "good boy," and any number of other pet names, indicating a most hearty commendation of a series of articles exposing a number of quack medicines the composition of which was principally alcohol in some form, and the temperance people were especially delighted. Now the laugh seems to be on the other side, however, because of an extended article from the pen of Samuel Hopkins Adams exposing to criticism some of the leading religious journals of the nation for printing advertisements of quack doctors and fake remedies, among them the Central Christian Advocate, Christian Endeavor World, the Cumberland Presbyterian, Baptist and Reflector, and others. The only safe way to do is to cut all such ads from our lists, and this will be the policy of this paper as soon as present contracts expire.

One of the most imperative necessities to the successful business life of a city is good streets. This is more emphatically the case with reference to the main streets leading into the city from the territory tributary thereto. There are two or three of our streets which need attention very badly, and none more than does Philadelphia street. We have been told that the grade will be too steep for the transportation of heavy loads, which might be true if the street should be simply smoothed over; but if the grade be made even from near the city hall to the top of the O. R. & N. grade, the surplus soil removed from the city hall park and higher places along the street and dropped in the low places, we are positively of the opinion that a 7 per cent grade or better may be obtained. Then a substantial dock should be erected the full width of the street, even if a small dockage charge became necessary in order to pay interest, but it should not. With this dock giving easy access to the city, the increase to the business of our merchants, the shipping facilities, the prestige of St. Johns as a business point would cause the most pessimistic knocker in the city to wonder why it was not done years ago. Now that our city engineer has resigned, his successor should be named at the earliest possible moment so that when these matters come up there may be no delay in putting them through. Let us have this fine avenue connecting the heart of the city with the outside world improved as quickly as possible and thus remove one of the worst handicaps for doing business in St. Johns—poor facilities for handling merchandise in large quantities.

Charley Hall, one of Hood River's most enterprising young business men made us a pleasant call between cars yesterday. Mr. Hall is the senior member of the drug company of which a brother of our municipal judge is a member.

We were laboring under a wrong impression last week with reference to the whereabouts of "Blasphemous Bob" Ingerson's namesake. That gentleman, instead of eating porterhouse steak and angel food at the city table is engaged in reducing the size of the dormitories on the county rock pile. We congratulate Mr. Ingerson on being for once being engaged where he can do no harm.

Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Hart of 1690 Hurst St., University Park, left the first of the week for an extended trip to Lacombe, Alberta, Canada, to visit their daughter, Mrs. Dr. C. S. Collier. It will be remembered that Dr. Collier was the promising young dentist at University Park about two years ago, at which time he was married and left for the North where he has an extensive practice and is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Markle and their "bouncing baby boy" have been lolling in the luxuries of a season at Seaside for the past four or five days. No, we are not envious, we have been enjoying a season on the "side" of our face. The sub molar on the port side of our masticator was attacked recently with a sort of chronic gastritis and the more we fed the dental member \$ a pound tobacco and 40 cents an ounce clove oil, chloroform, creosote, aquafortis and dynamite, the more it gastritis, until our christian forbearance reached the limit and we went to one of our best tooth carpenters and had him jerk the top off of it. Then it would not be good. We thought the gentleman was going to extract the entire jaw, but just before we died the molar broke, and the tooth man felt relieved, but we did not, and when we get better we are going back.

Good typewriter for sale at W. C. Adams.

THE CITY DADS IN SESSION

Council Meets Tuesday Evening and Transacts Its Usual Budget of Municipal Business

(Continued from page 1.)

Communication from City Engineer Goodrich presenting claim for full 5 per cent commission on all of both the Youngferdorf and the Crook & Walton contracts was read and the matter was referred to the finance committee, who were to consult with the city attorney and ascertain the custom in such cases.

Resignation of City Engineer Goodrich to take effect when the city hall was completed was read, and the office was declared vacant by the mayor to take effect when this work was finished.

Mr. Goodrich's claims against the city were referred to the finance committee with instructions to endeavor to secure satisfactory settlement as early as possible. Attorney Dey appeared in behalf of Mr. Goodrich, giving the council until the first of September to adjust these claims.

The matter of an appropriation for oiling the streets came up and after an extended discussion between the council and the gentlemen representing the Portland Street Oiling Co., on motion of Walker, the proposition was turned down, all voting, No, except Councilmen Francis and Walker.

The following bills were allowed from the city hall fund, on motion of Alderman King:

W. H. Graves, cartage	\$ 4.00
Nottingham & Co., cement	3.25
Total	7.25
The following bills from the general fund were allowed on motion of Alderman Leggett:	
Policeman's cannon, equipage and ammunition	16.80
Edmondson & Co., tin and work on flag pole	2.10
W. E. Godsey, iron work on same	5.40
Review, printing ordinances	10.10
National Tea Store, window cleaner	50
Portland Electric Co., 22 are lights, July	116.50
S. W. Simmons, labor with men and team	10.50
Woodard Clark & Co., re-charging soda water wagon	3.36
J. R. Weimer, labor and cartage	3.25
St. Johns Water and Light Co., water rent	49.00
Couch & Co., supplies	3.30
G. M. Hall, rubber dating stamp	2.00
John E. Davis, balance on safe	32.00
Total	254.91

Report of committee on curfew waived report and called the new councilman from the second ward to make same. Mr. Francis stated that whenever it suited the council he would instruct his nightwatchman to give one long whistle at nine o'clock as a signal for the small fry to hunt their roosts. The whistle will be sounded for a period of five seconds each night, beginning Saturday evening of this week, and the young people will do well to acquaint themselves with the provisions of the ordinance, or be under cover by that time, as Captain Bredeson says he has no discretion in the matter, and he will be held to strict account for the enforcement of this ordinance.

The matter of the sewer from the woolen mill to the river was brought up, and a committee consisting of the mayor and Alderman Dobie were appointed to wait upon the officers of the mill and remind them of their promise to put in a proper sewer there, and to urge them to do so as expeditiously as possible considering the heated term, which will make the sewage from this industry offensive and dangerous to the health of the city.

L. Richards presented a petition for renewal of his license, which was granted after a discussion, there being some question of the propriety of doing so, pending the settlement of some charges against him under consideration.

The garbage question came up with its usual regularity, and was discussed at some length, the decision being that certain of the council see Mr. Weimer, and endeavor to make a deal whereby this "weakly" joke may be eliminated from the proceedings.

The recorder reported that he had called at the bank for the original order for the advertising of the city bonds in the Daily Bond News of New York, but was informed that no such letter had been received, and expressed the opinion that the letter business was a bluff on the part of the publishers, but Mayor Couch had a joker up his sleeve, and explained that he had been informed by Cashier Wood that a registered letter had been received by our "Nasby" addressed to the president of the bank who is absent in Michigan, and is being held pending his return, or until an order may be procured from the New York publisher to turn the letter over to the cashier.

Amended gas ordinance by Mr. Purse was laid on the table, and will be acted on at the next meeting of the council.

Under the head of miscellaneous business the lighting of the city hall was discussed, and a committee of two, consisting of the mayor and Alderman Leggett, was appointed to wait upon the light company to remind them of certain agreements made which had not been complied with regarding same.

City Attorney Greene, under this head, presented the matter of payment of bonds of citizens who took advantage of the Bancroft bonding act on the street improvement. The discussion which followed elicited the information that the citizens acting under this act had done all that they could do, with two exceptions, and that the city had done all it was possible for it to do in the premises, to wit: received all monies paid in under this act and paid it all over to the bondholders.

Alderman Jobs brought up the question of water pressure at the water hydrants, and it was ascertained by the discussion that the water company was furnishing even a higher pressure than required by their franchise. In this connection we might add that we have been reliably informed that in some places in the city there is not enough pressure to carry the water over the garden fence. What is the cause of the defect deponent sayeth not. We have also been informed that many of the city hydrants have not been flushed in a coon's age, and that they are probably half full of dirt, the facts regarding which we are in as dense ignorance as was perhaps our informant, being unable to see through a couple inches and a half of cast iron, but the suggestion is worth acting upon, and if there are any hydrants which have not had their whistles wet for an extended period, it would be well to pull the "sting" and see what they might cough up. It is just possible some of the pipes may be partially filled with sediment and thus prevent an otherwise free flow of water.

Pioneer Society Meets.

The St. Johns Pioneer society met in the library room August 7 at 2:30 p. m. President Chipman called the society to order and minutes of last meeting were read and approved. On motion the chair appointed T. J. Monahan, Mrs. P. T. Smith and Mrs. C. H. Thayer a committee to draft by-laws and constitution, also a committee on membership and badges consisting of President Chipman, Livonia M. Kendall and P. T. Hanson.

Quite a number of the pioneers were present and all were very enthusiastic about the plans for Pioneer day. After an hour spent in social chat and personal reminiscences it was unanimously voted that so far it was a success and that all who came to St. Johns prior to 1889 be invited to hand their names to the secretary. Adjourned to meet Wednesday, August 14th, at 2:30 p. m. in the library room.

As a Woman Views It.

Editor Review—Referring to your editorial upon Captain P. A. Doran in the Review of August 2, I take exception to your remark that "only that class of people who are extensive novel readers and have imbibed strange ideas concerning a 'glorious death' can find an excuse for him," and would like to say that I am one of the many Telegram readers who consider that the above mentioned hero met a "glorious death," and I certainly have never been an "extensive novel reader" and hope I have not "imbibed" many "strange ideas." Moreover, instead of being "held responsible in the world to come," I believe the Judge of all the earth will have only smiles of satisfaction and a cordial welcome as Captain Doran steps up to the great white throne.—Mrs. W. L. Thorndyke.

Lost.

Note for \$50 payable at \$10 per month in favor of James Mordaunt, signed by Mrs. Fannie Brown and husband. If found leave at this office and get reward. James Mordaunt. 11-p

Call in and subscribe now.

THE ROD AND GUN CLUB

A Large and Interesting Shoot Took Place Sunday.

The St. Johns gun club are coming on the jump and there will be something worth while going to see at the range of the sportsmen of St. Johns in the near future. At last week's meeting the entire Multnomah Rod and Gun club was voted in and they are coming a hundred strong or more with their electric traps and accoutrements, the latter having been placed already. Steps are being taken to pull off a state tournament on this range the last of this month.

Solicitors will call on the business men of St. Johns and Portland for advertising space in their program. When they call on you do not take time to discuss the matter, but just jump in for a liberal space and boost the thing along. It will bring in a host of shooters from all over the state, and other states as well. These, with a number of their friends who will come to see them shoot will have to be fed and cared for in St. Johns to a large extent, and will patronize St. Johns merchants. Then when they come let us give them the glad hand and let them know that St. Johns is on the map with both feet.

The St. Johns gun club will meet every Monday night until this matter is fully organized and placed on a safe and sound basis which will take the remainder of the month, perhaps.

At Monday's meeting, to meet the emergency of the state tournament work, there was elected an assistant secretary, Jimmie Gee and for assistant vice president, E. H. Mansfield. These gentlemen are very enthusiastic and energetic rustlers, and we anticipate a most successful termination of their efforts.

Last Sunday's shoot which is given below was the best, it is reported to us, in both points of numbers and excellency of execution that has been pulled off in St. Johns and we are assured there are better things in sight.

One of the pleasantest features of the shoot was the chicken dinner which was given by Sam Cochran to the participants in the sports, and as it was "free, gratis and for nothing," everyone "partook" and voted it par excellence. Sam is like the "Widdy" who said "the way to a man's heart is through his bread basket" and acts accordingly.

Wagner—81 out of 90.
Thornton—62 out of 100.
Young—44 out of 65.
Howe—93 out of 100.
Roubertson—58 out of 75.
J. Smith—41 out of 75.
McPherson—62 out of 75.
Hillis—44 out of 50.
N. L. Robertson—102 out of 125.
T. M. Shangle—60 out of 75.
F. E. Shangle—46 out of 50.
Johnson—13 out of 35.
N. S. Plursons—22 out of 25.
Rehm—14 out of 25.
D. Nash—18 out of 35.
J. Starr—17 out of 35.
T. Condon—7 out of 25.
Brink—14 out of 25.
Kruiger—9 out of 25.
Scott—9 out of 25.
Southmayd—19 out of 25.
Foss—18 out of 25.
Klehn—15 out of 25.
Hillis—20 out of 25.
J. D. Billen—16 out of 25.
Mansfield—17 out of 25.
S. Southmayd—18 out of 25.
Stanley—8 out of 25.
Deriux—9 out of 25.
Arelue—12 out of 25.
Kruiger—9 out of 25.
Newman—7 out of 25.
D. E. Walker—9 out of 20.
A. Johnson—11 out of 25.
Couch—17 out of 25.
Autzen—0 out of 25.
Walker—11 out of 25.
C. Dyleen—12 out of 25.

Visitors From Other States.

Sunday Miss Dora Dowden, her sister, Mrs. Lucetta Cox, Mrs. Libbie I. Dowden, sister of Mrs. Byerlee, and her daughter, Leona, and Miss Carrie Byerlee came over from Sunnyside and joined the Byerlee tribe in a quiet picnic at Columbia Park. Mrs. Byerlee had not seen her sister or her friend, Mrs. Cox, for a quarter of a century and it kept them busy all day telling what had happened in the meantime. Mrs. Dowden and her daughter are residents of Prairie City, Iowa; Mrs. Cox lives in California, and these ladies have been making a visit to the coast with other relatives, and of course couldn't pass St. Johns up.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the neighbors and friends, also the fire boys who responded to the alarm and did all they could to save my residence which was destroyed by fire last week. But it was all for naught because our city council thought it was not necessary to have a fire hydrant in Point View.—W. C. Adams.

For Sale.

A milch cow cheap. Inquire at 420 Stewart street. 40p

Wanted.

Girls at New St. Johns Hotel. Good wages, apply at once.

Bring in your printing now.

Why Fret and Worry

when your child has a severe cold? You need not fear pneumonia or other pulmonary diseases. Keep supplied with Ballard's Horehound Syrup—a positive cure for colds, coughs, whooping cough and bronchitis. Mrs. Hall, of Sioux Falls, S. D., writes: "I have used your wonderful Ballard's Horehound Syrup on my children for five years. Its results have been wonderful." For sale by St. Johns drug store.

Tent for Sale.

Second hand, 12x14, with tent poles, price \$5. Can be seen at 708 Hartman street.

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Timber and Farm Lands convenient to transportation and Linton.

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Bargains in Linton Real Estate.

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Office opposite postoffice at Linton.

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Require careful attention and only the purest of ingredients should enter into their composition.

Our Drugs are Pure

And only the most careful attention is given each prescription.

If you have not yet become a patron of our store, the next time you are called upon to have a prescription filled or in fact require drugs of any nature, give us a trial visit, and if courteous treatment, pure drugs and careful service count for anything you will come again.

Smith's Pharmacy

Holbrook Block, ST. JOHNS, OREGON.

THE STORY EASILY TOLD

The reason of our splendid success for the first month's business in St. Johns is because our prices are lower in many instances than Portland prices, and our goods are always the best.

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—IN—

HARDWARE AND PAINTS

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