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GET IN THE HABIT

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ST. JOHNS LOSES TO BUTCHERS.

A base ball club composed of the employees of the Union Meat company played a game with the Apostles at the local grounds on the 26th instant. The butchers have a fine aggregation of ball tossers and came here with a record of 15 games won out of 18 played this season, and their record, by the way, lost none of its lustre by coming in contact with our boys. The game was a good one throughout and St. Johns lost only through the miserable work of the umpire during the first half of the game and an over throw by Shaffer first on an aball that should have made an easy out.

The meat choppers had a pitcher in their outfit that was one of the finest that the Apostles had to buck against this year. He fanned 14 of the local lads out and allowed only six hits. At one stage of the game it looked as if St. Johns was going to pull through in good shape. The bases became filled with no one out but the "greasy" pitcher pulled himself out of the hole in great style by striking out the next two batsmen and retiring the next on a measly little grounder to short. Parker was present again with his little bat, making a two-bagger and a single, and scoring the only run made by the locals. The score was 3 to 1 in favor of the meat jammers.

A BRILLIANT SOLOIST

At the closing exercises of Olivet College at Charlotte, Mich., we note a long report of the proceedings in the Charlotte Leader, of June 25th. It is said that the musical exercises extended to all former efforts and included the following glowing account of the singing of Miss Margaret Lawson, daughter of the late Dr. Lawson, formerly of this island, and a niece of the Hon. J. H. Fletcher. We quote:

Put the flaming brilliant climax of the evening's concert was reached in the soprano of Miss Lawson. Leader notes of 1907 referring to the soprano of Miss Margaret in The Messiah commented: "Her voice is one wide range and great natural beauty, supported by the foundation of a magnificent physique, and with further study and continued practice, predict the development of a grand soprano." There are numerous opera singers with less voice and talent than Miss Lawson.—The Patriot, Charlotte, N. C., June 25, 1907.

Miss Lawson will visit her uncle, Gov. J. H. Fletcher, in St. Johns this summer.

Paul Bannon, who had been employed in the Stanley-Smith mills at Greenpoint for the past several months, returned to St. Johns one day last week.

Watch the label on your paper.

THINKS ST. JOHNS ALL RIGHT.

S. H. Satterlee, the popular whistler sharp, in the Holbrook block, recently received a letter from Fred Froughton, who returned to his old home in Ithica, Mich., a short time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Broughton made many good friends during their brief stay in St. Johns, who will be glad to hear that they had a very pleasant trip home and arrived there safely. Mr. Broughton says there is a great interest in the West among the people at his old home, and that many of his neighbors would come here if they could dispose of their property in a satisfactory manner. One of his old friends started for Portland the day before he wrote his letter. Another will start in a short time. He is more pleased with St. Johns than ever since he reached Ithica and declares he would be glad to come back and that Mrs. Broughton would also if she would but own up. He says too, that he believes all Ithica would come if they could get rid of their property.

We would be very glad to welcome St. Johns, for they are the kind of people who make a good, thriving city.

UNION MEETING.

The first of a series of union meetings was held at the United Evangelical church last Sunday evening. It is the purpose of the different churches to meet in turn at the different church houses in the city. Some other than the pastor of the church where the meeting is held preaches the sermon of the evening. In this way, all the people hear all the preachers, see all the churches, meet the other church people in their own church homes and it is thought will create a more fraternal and friendly feeling among the Christian people of the city.

This first meeting was a very interesting one. The church home of the Evangelical people was filled to its utmost capacity. Rev. E. A. Leonard of the Baptist church gave the address. Rev. Leonard is a very interesting speaker, and held the closest attention of his audience throughout the entire address.

The next meeting will be held in the beautiful church home of the Baptists; people and all are invited to come out and hear the speaker. It is a part of the play that the speaker will not be announced and will not be known to the attendants until they arrive at the meeting.

Horses are as subject to sunstroke as man and their heads should be as well protected from the heat by some sort of headgear when at work in the hot sun. It does not cost but little and adds greatly to the comfort and usefulness of the horse.

DOINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

An Interesting Session Tuesday Evening in Which a Small Budget of Municipal Business Was Disposed of

The city tythes met in the adjourned meeting on Friday evening to consider such matters as were under investigation, to-wit: the gas franchise scheme of Mr. McGarry and the new city dock.

The council was called to order at 8 o'clock, by his honor, and it was found that two of the wheel horses, Alderman Hunter and Johnson were found to be sick. At least one was and the other expects to be before he returns from the hot springs where he has gone to recuperate.

The first thing on the tapis was the consideration of the gas franchise proposition of Mr. McGarry, who has an option, he says, upon the David franchise, the Gas Light and Heat Co. of which he aspires to be the father. His proposition to the council was to have them give him at some future date if he desired it, an extension of time on the construction of the gas plant. If they would promise this by a resolution, they would close the deal with David and push the construction of the plant with the utmost vigor. The council does not consider that Mr. David has any franchise and do not feel like giving him an opportunity to flim-flam them by so much as acknowledging by implication that he had a franchise. Mr. McGarry was assured that when he presented a proposition on his own account, he would get all the time he needed. He was also assured that the council and the entire city was very anxious to have gas put in and any genuine proposition looking to that end would meet with a most hearty reception from the council, but they had no confidence in anything coming from Mr. David.

Mr. McAllister for Mr. David stated that everything had been signed over to him in trust by Mr. David and that as soon as the council passed a resolution pledging itself to give an extension of time if desired when asked by Mr. McGarry, and that gentleman turned over his check for the amount of the transfer, all papers on the business and the ownership of the St. Johns Gas Light and Heat company would be turned over to him without any further reference to Mr. David. The council deferred taking action on the matter for one week and Mr. McGarry retired in an unhappy state of mind.

The council then turned their attention to the new city dock. There was an extended discussion as to the plans, etc., and it was finally decided that Mr. Davis secure if possible from the O. R. & N. blue print and specifications of the Albina dock, which came the nearest to the dock we would need here. If these plans can be secured our city engineer can make such changes as

are necessary to make the plans conform to the wishes of the council and in this way will save the expense of an entire new set of plans for the dock.

The sixteenth weekly session of the common council convened Tuesday evening, all members being present before the close of the session.

After reading of the minutes, the first matter for consideration was the vacation of Lively street, in the matter of which there was a fat budget of objections filed with the recorder. The first was from Mr. Maple, who claimed that the viewers had not allowed him enough for his land they proposed to vacate. The other objections were from Mrs. Jerome B. Smith, of Vancouver, Ed. Heavener of an East Side suburb, F. Kirkpatrick, of Portland and own Hill, not J. J., but Pascal. Some of these objected because of the price for the land being made too high, and the benefits to the property of the objectors being also made too high to cover the damage to the vacated property. Yet other objectors on the ground of hard times. We do not know if this was by way of a joke or not. After some consideration, it was decided to refer the matter back to the same viewers for further consideration.

Ordinance regulating the lowering of water mains and laterals in the city of St. Johns was passed with an emergency clause in it making it effective as soon as the mayor signs the document. Bill of the St. Johns Water and Light company, as big and fat as the Bill on the republican national ticket was read, cussed and discussed. There was an item for lowering of water mains and pipes in the city extending away back into 1903. This item the fathers was disposed to decline with thanks. No action was taken at the time.

Occupation ordinance amending ordinance No. 54 was passed. The city attorney presented a written report on the ordinance the ferry people are asking the council to pass in order to protect them in their rights under their franchise. Mr. Collier stated in his communication that the ordinance would be ineffective for the reason that it would be class legislation. That the ferry people had the right under the law to prosecute those who trespassed on their rights under the franchise the same as any other trespasser could be prosecuted, and also that damage could be collected where damage was shown the same as in any other case and that a license given by the city did not give the party receiving the same any right to operate within

the territory covered by the franchise. On motion a copy was sent to the ferry people.

A bill for repairing the broken wheel of the chemical in the amount of \$16 was read and discussed. It was a generous bill. The work could have been done at home just as well for less than half the money, but Mr. Long possibly included a good big rental for the little chemical we have here until ours is repaired. He loaned us the chemical rent free but possibly he figured on this as he did on the chemical he did not exchange with us for the old one. He quoted about \$50 for a machine a year, time ago, and when our committee talked trade with him recently he asked \$1250 for the same machine, but generously allowed \$500 for our old one. Mr. Long as a business man is pretty smooth, but he failed to slide this time.

On motion of Davis the fire committee was authorized to hire the old chemical repaired and placed on four wheels, so that our fire ladders can handle it more easily.

On motion of Hunter, the fire committee was instructed to secure the use of the small chemical until the old one was in shape to use.

Alderman Banham reported the need of a hydrant at the intersection of Oswego and Hudson streets and another at the intersection of Jersey street and the street and recommended that they be placed. During the discussion a proposition from Superintendent LaBolen of the water company to put in a 6-inch main up Jersey street providing the city would order in four fire plugs, was read. This would cost the city \$14 per month. On motion of Davis the committee was authorized to make a proposition to the light and water company to put in a 6-inch main on Jersey extending to Buchanan street and the city to take six hydrants, three to be placed on the Jersey street extension and the others where needed.

Resolution to sell property for delinquent taxes passed the council.

Profile for the proposed extension of Hayes street from Catlin street to the Weyerhaeuser tract was presented and discussed by the council and laid over until next week.

On motion of Davis the city attorney was authorized to secure the services of Judge O'Day to assist him in the Goodrich case.

In the athletic sports across the water, the Americans are giving good account of themselves, and are winning not only many points in the contest, but are also winning the go's graces of the people at the sports by their manly behavior.

FACTS FROM THE LIFE OF MAN.

The Humorist's View Of It.

Man that is born of his parents is of few days and full of microbes. He goes to school when a youngster and mends the elbow of his pants paddles for something that he did not do until he is sick at heart. He grows up like a Chinese thistle in the back yard and soon reaches the age when he is composed of a large extent of feet, freckles and an appetite for pie.

About the time he gets too long for short trousers and too short still for long ones, he goes away to a college, learneth to monkey with a three-dollar mandolin and to play at whisky poker. He cometh home a blither fool than when he went away and marrieth a sweet young thing whose pa is supposed to be wealthy but whom he subsequently ascertaineth couldnt buy the prize rooster at a county fair. He worrieth along from year to year, gradually acquiring outsprings and debts until the former resembles a Sunday school class just before Christmas, and the latter like the assets of a bankrupt.

He fretteth through the day and lieth awake nights trying to figure out how to keep himself and dependent population out of the poorhouse. Efforts are rewarded by having his daughters run away and get married and bring him home another son-in-law every few days to feast at his board. His sons grow up and call him governor and set him back a five-spot every day or two. About the time he has acquired enough to make it worth while for his heirs to quarrel over, he becomes oxalated and is hustled off before he has had time to talk with his family. His sons blow in his estate on bad whisks and plug hats, and his wife puts on the finishing touches to his career by marrying the hired man and cutting a wide swath with his insurance money.

Verily the way of the transgressor is hard and his first name is man.

A copy of the daily Alaska Dispatch shows our friend Brooks as one of the winning team in a game of base ball recently. He played ball on the Juneau bunch against the Skagway lads and the score showed up 3 to 2 in favor of the former. The paper states it was a hair raising game, the kind in which you could not tell which side would win until the last man was in. It must have been great sport.

Another big fire in Portland the first of the week. They will soon have all the old shacks burned up and they will be replaced by modern structures. Perhaps it is cheaper to burn them than to tear them down, but the risk is far greater. The fire loss in this instance is estimated at \$225,000.

FAMOUS ROUGH RIDERS.

Just From The Wild and Woolly Range to St. Johns.

Stanley Brothers the famous rough riders will be in St. Johns on Tuesday August 4, and will show the people how it is done on the great ranges. These gentlemen have had many years experience on the range in the breaking of the wild horses and have some trained horses with them that have been taught every trick that other horses could invent and the memory of man retain in order to get the rider off the horse's back.

Guides the riding of these trick horses, there will be given exhibition riding, the sensational Russian drag, the most dangerous and daring acts ever performed on horseback; pick up acts, rope spinning, and many other cow boy sports given. There will be some of the best trained horses in the world and the most skillful riders on the grounds. If there is a bad fire in the country that no one can ride bring him in and he will be ride free of charge.

There will be two hours of thrilling sports, half-raising foats that will cause you to hold your breath until you are black in the face. See the large posters for further particulars.

Do not forget the date, Tuesday, August 4, and the hour 3 p. m. and the place, the St. Johns ball grounds. It will be the most wonderful exhibition you ever witnessed. Admission 15 cents, children 15.

SERVED HIM RIGHT.

Jury of farmers, after deliberating six hours at Hillsboro, returned a verdict at 10 o'clock Monday night allowing Rosa Reghitto and his tenants \$1800 damages for right of way for the Oregon Electric Railway through a seven-acre onion patch at Bonaverton.

Reghitto had asked for \$18,000 damages. The company had offered to settle for \$3500.

The case has attracted more than local interest, and able counsel contested the case on both sides. Reghitto alleged that the land, which was planted to asparagus and onions, had netted him \$6000 a year. To offset this testimony the attorneys for the Oregon Electric placed local truck garden farmers on the stand who testified that asparagus would net the grower from \$100 to \$200 an acre a year, and that seed onions would return about \$70 annually. These farmers were D. Carcerri, and E. J. Thomas.

The \$1800 damages allowed by the jury includes \$1550 for the two acres taken by the right of way, and \$250 to be divided by the tenants for the lease of the seven and one-half acres.

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TWO GOOD EDITORIALS

It is not often that our big dailies devote their valuable space and talents to the cause of a higher morality, but on Friday, July 24th the Evening Telegram printed two editorials worthy of being read and read until one familiarizes the sentiments expressed therein. Of the first, under the caption, 'Morals versus the sale of liquors,' we quote only the closing paragraph, but the latter, 'Portland Boys,' we give in full because of the applicability of the article to conditions in St. Johns and we hope that not a reader of the Review will pass the articles without reading them, even if they were read in the daily.

And the end is not yet so far as the woman in the saloon business is involved. Nor will the end be reached until the women are driven from the saloons or the saloons are driven from the city. It is not an unreasonable thing that the decent people of Portland demand. It is not a reform to which any saloon man or liquor man in the city, who has a spark of manhood in his makeup, will object. It is even amusing that the most subservient councilman would care to go on record as declaring for a trifle in vice and crime for the mere swelling of cash receipts and enhancement of the ledger account. For the cause of the liquor man in promotion of vice will lose—it is bound to lose. And the councilman who stayed with it will go down with the wreck.

PORTLAND BOYS.

There are too many idle boys in Portland—too many boys who have nothing to occupy them, and through sheer idleness, are apt to go wrong, thus becoming a source of grief to their parents and public charges on the community. In these long vacations the question of what to do with the boys is a most serious one. At the inception they are not to blame. It is simply a case of misdirected energy which, with the opportunity presented, might have been turned in a good channel as well as a bad. But given an idle boy, with rapidly developing vitality, his brain naturally not keeping pace with his physical development, thus bringing about a lack of balance in him—take the boy with a boy's uncertain longing and desires—a sense of irritation against his home surroundings promoted by the heat and his own idleness, and his energies must find expression in some unpleasant expression.

It is well worth the while of every father who has a son to take his stand some evening for an hour or two in the street car loop district and watch the boys going out and coming in from the various resorts about the city. He will then soon realize what a problem himself may have before him. To see boys of 13 perhaps younger, up to 20 or older, with their childish assumption of blasé airs, rolling cigarettes and swallowing the smoke, to hear the language they use and the subjects about which they talk, is quite likely to startle one. Incidentally the officers of the juvenile court may there find not only matter for study but for official attention.

Our schools lack, but most notably do most parents lack in inculcating the doctrine of the dignity of honest work, no matter what it is. There is being bred up here entirely too many little snobs, who have no realization that they are living in a republic where class distinctions are not recognized and will be recognized infinitely less as time goes on. They are brought up in idleness; they are almost entirely free from restraint, and they are given too much money to spend. When they go wrong, who is to blame? It is the parent, and not the boy. The doctrine of work and the dignity of labor should be preached in the schools and the homes. It is the doctrine that wins. That brings success and that insures content and happiness. Everybody concerned should give the matter a little more attention. Things are not in as good way in this respect as they ought to be in Portland. While we are talking about civic improvement and growing a pride because there is something of it being done, let us merit a little praise for raising the standards and cultivating the ideals of the young Americans who are coming up and who will soon help to raise the standards and create the ideals of the future Americans, whom we all hope will be very much better in way than their parents and grand parents.

The owls, those birds of the night represented by the Brotherhood of owls and the order of owls have kissed and made up. Now we may well look out for the poultry that has a habit of roosting out in the trees.

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