

THE LOCAL NEWS.

FIREMEN'S DANCE

Come and Bring Your Friends for an Enjoyable Time.

Saturday eve Columbia Hook and Ladder company give their annual Washington's birthday dance in the Armory and great preparation has been made to make the affair a complete success.

OLD MAN BEATEN.

His Eyes Blackened and His Nose Almost Broken.

Wednesday morning Joshua Gorbett, an old time resident of Colton, was severely injured in the face by one H. E. Carr.

PROGRAM AT MOUNT PLEASANT

Entertainment for the Benefit of the Sidewalk Fund.

The following is the program to be presented at the Mount Pleasant school house next Monday evening: Song, male quartette; recitation, "How Mr. Brown Got His Hair Cut"; instrumental music; dialogue, "What the Little Girl Said"; song, male quartette; comedy, "Good Bye"; instrumental music; comedy, "How the Widow Reddett Reformed Him"; cake walk; recitation, "St. Peter at the Golden Gate"; song, male quartette; instrumental music; tableaux.

WHO'S WHO A SUCCESS.

The Home Talent Make Great Hit.—Crowded House.

Thursday night the opera house was packed to the doors with a crowd of ladies and gentlemen intent on witnessing the play of the season. Early in the week the seats were put on sale and by Wednesday evening every seat was taken so that those who came afterwards were disappointed.

Thursday at noon, the entire minstrel troupe including the C. A. Nash band, paraded up and down the street, making a very commendable appearance.

At 8 o'clock the curtain lifted and a dozen young darlings sang "My Old Kentucky Home" with great fervor and pleasing effectiveness. This was followed by a very funny song, "Rose My Rose," sung by Ed Fields of Halloway by funny sayings and humorous dialogues between the end men.

To narrate in detail every striking feature and funny incident would require more space than is here afforded, but it is no more than justice to the young men who organized the company and acted their parts so well, to say that they did their parts splendidly and to the satisfaction of all.

One very funny incident deserving special mention was the automobile act which provoked great laughter and applause. Another feature was the old Virginia reel, so popular to an American audience, and the young actors danced it finely.

Len Conner sang and danced well and his voice is one of great promise if he perseveres in his training.

"When the Moon Comes Up Behind do Hills" was another very funny song enjoyed by the audience and heartily applauded. Tom P. Randall, who was one of the leading spirits in the organization, and management of the affair ought to be given great praise for the excellent exhibition which his young company made, for much of its excellence came from the fact that his ingenuity was behind it all.

wanted.

Girl for general household. No cooking. Apply at Miss Goldsmith's millinery store.

Building Let Down Saturday.

Tomorrow the Methodist church will be lowered to the brick walls which have been completed this week. Before the structure could be lowered to the walls, it had to be raised about eight inches on the east end when it had sunk down during the recent heavy rains.

Letter List.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Oregon City, Ore., on Feb. 19th, 1903:

WOMEN'S LIST.

Rivers Ed Mrs. Torney Ethel Mrs. Read Rene Mrs. Gay Rufus Mr & Mrs Stone Myrtle Paxton Mr and Mrs

MEN'S LIST

Delome B (Rev) Madison Pete Gross Will Mabel Frank Green Chan Morse John Hutchens Oliver Ogden W T Hunt Dave & John Puhelle Jos Hathaway W D Stevens Lum Hains Ad Stone Bennie J Johnson James Seely O Matlock J L Wilkinson Wm Wallace Gifford G. F. HORTON, P. M.

The Tranquil Mind.

Who does not love a tranquil heart, sweet tempered, balanced life? It does not matter whether it rains or shines or what misfortunes come to those possessing these blessings, for they are always sweet, serene and calm.

That exquisite poise of character which we can readily see in the last lesson of culture: it is the dawning of life, the fruition of the soul.

It is as precious as wisdom, more to be desired than gold—yes, than even gold. How contemptible mere money wealth looks in comparison with a serene life—a life which dwells in the ocean of truth, beneath the waves, beyond the reach of tempests, in the eternal calm!

How many people we know who sour their lives, who ruin all that is sweet and beautiful by explosive tempers, who destroy their poise of character by bad blood! In fact it is a question whether the great majority of people do not ruin their lives and mar their happiness by lack of self control.

How few people we meet in life who are well balanced, who have that exquisite poise which is characteristic of the finished character—Success.

Taking a Chance.

He looked happy enough as he walked up to the postoffice box, set a huge bundle on the floor and began taking pretty square envelopes therefrom, dropping them by twos and threes into the box.

"Big lot of letters," remarked the policeman, "Nice day too."

"Letters?" said the happy man. "My dear fellow, these are not letters. They are wedding invitations."

A stern look came over the face of the hitherto friendly policeman.

"My friend," he said, "I am sorry to disturb you, but I must do my duty. Come with me."

"Arrested?" "Yes."

"On what charge, sir? This is an outrage."

"Not at all. You are advertising a lottery through the post."

The man went along.—Kansas City Independent.

The Bubble Reputation.

The Governor—Colonel, don't you know Judge Blank? Shake hands with him.

The Colonel—Ah, you are Judge Blank of Blankville?

The Judge—Yes; Blankville is my home.

The Colonel—Of course I know you by reputation then.

The Governor—Colonel, don't you know it always makes me feel mighty uncomfortable when a man says that about me—that he knows me by reputation?

The Colonel—How is that, governor? Why should it make you feel uncomfortable?

The Governor—Because, by Jingo, I always wonder which reputation he means.

A Simple System.

Teacher—In what year was the battle of Waterloo fought?

Pupil—I don't know.

Teacher—It's simple enough if you only would learn how to cultivate artificial memory. Remember the twelve apostles. Add half that number to them. That's eighteen. Multiply that by 100. That's 1,800. Take the twelve apostles again. Add a quarter of their number to them. That's fifteen. Add what you've got. That's 1,815. That's the date. Quite simple, you see, to remember dates if you will only adopt my system.

Making Sure.

This hunting story comes from Scotland: When the beaters came out of the covert, one of the guns said to the keeper, "Have you got all your beaters out?"

"Aye," said the man, astonished. "Are you sure? Have you counted them?"

"Counted them?" said the keeper. "Aye, they're all right."

The Spitting Snake.

A snake found in Africa is called the spitting snake by the Boers. It is between two and three feet long and is especially bold and active, readily attacking every one who approaches it.

In confinement it is very savage, opening its mouth and erecting its fangs, from which the poison may be often observed to drop and even sometimes to be forcibly ejected; whence the name given it by the Boers.

Sources of Alcohol.

Some terribly potent liquors, it is said, can be distilled from the innocent looking banana and also from the milk of the cocoanut. The Japanese make a beverage from plums and from the flowers of the motherwort and the peach. The Chinese produce several qualities of spirit from rice and peas, all of them intoxicating, besides which they can make an alcoholic drink from mutton.

Same Old Thing.

Tom—Did you call on that pretty telephone girl?

Dick—Yes, but I guess there was another fellow there ahead of me, or maybe it was only force of habit.

Tom—How do you mean?

Dick—My card came back with the message: "Busy. Please call again."—Philadelphia Press.

Reassuring George.

She had been shopping, and he was naturally disturbed.

"I hope you didn't spend much money while you were downtown today," he remarked.

"Not a cent except car fare, George," she answered reassuringly. "I had everything charged."—Chicago Post.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Regular December Term of the County Board.

(Continued from last week)

In the matter of the petition of Wm Rutherford for cancellation of mortgage tax.

Ordered that said mortgage taxes be cancelled and clerk make proper entry on the records.

In the matter of the report of the viewers of damages on the R. Schuchel road.

Viewers reported that the lands of John H. Paine would not be rendered less valuable by reason of the location of said road.

That the land of E. W. Paine would be damaged in the sum of fifty (\$50.00) dollars.

Claimant filing a motion to dismiss proceedings, it is ordered that this matter be laid over for further consideration.

EXPENSES.

In the matter of claims for the completion of a bridge on the Keiso and Boring Junction road.

S. E. Card.....\$15.00  
A. Vetch..... 9.70  
D. Hedderman..... 9.65  
E. Armsberger..... 4.50  
J. A. Richey..... 15.00

In the matter of the application of Harry Bastak, supervisor of road district No. 25, for powder.

Ordered that said supervisor be allowed 1300 pounds of powder to be used in opening a road in his district, as soon as the necessary volunteer labor is assured.

In the matter of petition of Ed M. Morris, supervisor of district No. 25, to sell old plow and scraper.

It is ordered that said Morris be authorized to sell the old plow and scraper and turn the money into the treasury.

In the matter of the report of viewers on the Ernst Lehman road of public easement.

Viewers report that the land of Thomas H. Feathers would be damaged in the sum of \$15.00.

That the land of H. Gerhardes would not be damaged; that the lands of C. R. Hunter would be damaged in the sum of \$25.00; that the lands of A. Amacher would be damaged in the sum of \$40.00.

Sid Lehman having deposited with the clerk of Clackamas county the amount awarded to said Feathers and said Amacher, it is ordered that said road of public easement be established.

In the matter of petition of Mrs. S. E. Valentine, an indigent woman, for assistance.

Ordered that said Mrs. Valentine receive the sum of \$10.00 per month for three months.

In the matter of the petition of Ernestina Pepple for assistance.

Ordered that said Ernestina Pepple be allowed \$7.00 per month beginning with March 1903.

In the matter of the obstruction of the Price Fuller road.

It appearing that said road is being obstructed by fences being built in the same, it is ordered that supervisor of district No. 1 remove said fences.

In the matter of the petition of John Aden, for lumber to plank a portion of a county road.

Ordered that the necessary lumber to plank 400 feet of said road be furnished by county, the necessary labor to lay said plank to be volunteered.

In the matter of the petition of county treasurer to transfer \$150.00 to the indigent soldier fund.

Ordered that the sum of \$150.00 be transferred from the general fund to the indigent soldier fund.

In the matter of the petition of Owen Parry to increase the monthly allowance of John Jones, a county charge.

Ordered that the said allowance be increased to \$20.00 per month.

In the matter of the petition to increase the allowance of J. H. Jones and family, county charges.

Ordered that said allowance be increased to \$15.00 per month.

In the matter of the petition of B. F. Mitchell and others for a county road.

Ordered that G. W. Mayfield, John Gard and Robert Kinzo be appointed to view said road, to meet at place of beginning on the 16th day of February, 1903.

In the matter of the claims of E. Russell, G. L. Trashing and D. C. Rich for capturing an insane person.

Ordered that said claims be laid over for further consideration, not being understood by the board.

In the matter of the petition of H. F. Noble for refund money paid on double assessment.

Ordered that a warrant be issued to H. F. Noble for the sum of \$37.53.

In the matter of the petition of Susan Dowling for cancellation of mortgage tax.

Ordered that said mortgage taxes be cancelled.

In the matter of the petition of John M. Parks and others for a county road.

Ordered that A. Lacey, Branch Tucker and Ed Chesser be appointed as viewers and John W. Madrusa surveyor to meet at the place of beginning on the 25th day of February, 1903.

In the matter of the petition of Elizabeth Saunders for aid.

Ordered that said Elizabeth Saunders be allowed that sum of \$8.00 per month for three months.

In the matter of the petition of Elin Hines and others for a county road.

Ordered that Joe Graham, Millard Crisell and S. M. Kelso be appointed viewers and John W. Madrusa surveyor to meet at the place of beginning on the 25th day of February, 1903.

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