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Corvallis Times.

BY B. F. IRVINE.

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AN OBJECTION.

What appears to be an objection to the offer of Sidney Smyth to bring mountain water into Corvallis, is the price per month for fire hydrants, fixed in the pending ordinance at \$5 per month. Whether or not the objection should be considered fatal to the proposition the TIMES does not pretend to say. That a modification is to be desired on behalf of the people of Corvallis, is unquestionable.

There is a limit to the amount that Corvallis can afford to spend for fire protection. Its resources will not permit the town to spend an amount in excess of this limit. At three dollars a month for plugs the municipality would, in all human probability, pay the company just as much for fire protection as it would at five dollars per month. It would, as a matter of fact, use many more plugs at three dollars per month than it would at five dollars, and, in the end, the income of the company would not be lessened a cent by the lower rate. The increased number of hydrants would not add materially to the expense of the company, for most of them would be used only on the rarest occasions, and some of them possibly never. At the same time, the added fire protection that Corvallis would receive as a consequence, is of vital importance to the town. In fact, while a purer water supply is the paramount consideration in the water question, the recognized need of better fire protection is a matter of much consequence, and a large consideration in inducing the common council to vote away a very valuable franchise.

If Engineer Smyth and his associates are in perfect faith and want to prosper by sale of water to Corvallis consumers they can well afford to so modify their offer as to throw around those consumers the greatest possible fire protection. This they can do by a simple modification of the fire hydrant rate.

HIS PLACE ENLARGED

Hadn't Room Enough—Ready Now for an Increasing Trade.

Workmen have completed an addition to the room occupied by Con Gerhard's book and stationary store. A large opening has been cut through the rear room wall so as to connect the room there with the front portion. In the rear part the office has been placed, and there also a store room has been arranged, giving the entire front portion of the store for display of goods.

A complete stock of college and public school text books has arrived. Second hand text books, drawing instrument are to be found there.

Mr Gerhard is agent for the Evening Telegram and will deliver it in any part of the city for ten cents per week. He is also agent for the Magnolia Steam Laundry. Sub-agents will be appointed at Cauthorn hall and Alpha Hall. The laundry leaves Corvallis Tuesday and Wednesday and returns Thursday and Friday.

Colbert & Gregory Manly. Co.
Sash, doors, moldings, furniture and general finished lumber.
South Main St. Corvallis Ore.

NEARLY WASHED THROUGH

Willamette Almost Left Corvallis in Recent Winter—Engineer Says So.

Though not generally known, it is a fact that during the winter of four years ago, the main channel of the Willamette river almost cut its way through the farms some distance east of the present channel at Corvallis, and for a time there was imminent danger that the town would be left high and dry, and without means of steamboat navigation. This statement was made by David B Ogden, United States engineer in the TIMES office yesterday. The danger was present for some time, and Engineer Ogden believes that the change in the channel was only prevented by the hard work done at the time by the government, which for several weeks kept a large crew of men and the snag boat busily engaged in strengthening revetment and filling in with stone, willows and dirt where the wash was in progress. At the time the water was 10 or 12 feet above the low stage, and the work was prosecuted under the greatest difficulty. Had the change occurred, the result would have been immensely detrimental to Corvallis, and in addition several fair farms on the east side of the river, would have been almost if not wholly ruined.

Engineer Ogden regrets very much the conditions with which the government has to contend in its further effort to prevent the channel from hereafter cutting through the threatened section on the other side of the Willamette. The growth of the willows along the river bank is an essential to the success of the government's plan. The willows fasten their roots deep in the washing bank, and these and the trunks and limbs of the growing bush check movement of the swollen current and form eddies along the bank. The eddies in turn deposit sediment, and the effect is to weave a root-woofed bank and the growth of brush above, that the water can never wash away.

And it is in respect to the growing willows put out by the government that Engineer Ogden complains. Farmers in the neighborhood, he says, set fire to brush piles and the spreading flames destroy more or less of the willows. They permit stock to browse along the threatened bank, and the latter destroy much of the tender willow shoots, all of which in time, if let alone would build an impassable barrier against the wash of the threatening river. In these, and various other ways the success of the work is retarded, and the danger of future wash by the river increased. It is in the main due to the fact that the farmers, who more than anyone else are interested in the success of the work, do not understand the value of the willow growth along the unsafe bank. They should, Mr Ogden thinks, do the utmost to preserve those growing, and whenever possible plant additional shrubs. A bunch of willows made into bundles or fascines, and covered with dirt where the water can reach them will in a few days sprout and soon make a mattress to serve as an additional protector of their threatened farms.

A further source of complaint is that some one recently cut and took away a section of the cable from the revetment. A year or two ago, at one point of the revetment, the river undermined the piles and their tops fell into the water. To repair the damage, the top of the piles were fastened with strong wire cables, and their usefulness in protecting the bank was thus restored. It is one of these cables that someone has cut, after much difficulty, and carried away. The fine for the act is about \$2,500 or imprisonment to match, and a large reward for the detection of the guilty party.

Last winter, there was a heavy wash below the lower end of the revetment. In some places it is 100 feet wide and six or eight feet deep, or down to the gravel. The bank where it occurred has been properly repaired.

Twenty five men are now engaged on the work, in addition to the teamsters and the stone department, the latter of which is under contract. The operations will continue until about the end of the current month.

Estray Notice.

Notice is hereby given that, about the 1st day of August last, a three year old gelding, 16-hands high weighing about 1250, being a mouse colored brown with a star in the forehead left the Vineyard pasture about four miles N W from Corvallis. Reasonable reward will be paid for the return of said colt or information as to its whereabouts.

SPENCER BUCKNELL, Owner,
Corvallis, Ore.

To Rent.

To College students 5 furnished rooms. Enquire at Hemphill's business shop.

NOBODY SWORE

Story of a Pastor's Appointment and of Professor's Strenuous Coat Tails.

This is a tale of strenuous life. Railroad trains never wait for time nor tide and that has caused many a man to part with his dignity. No one knows this better than Postmaster Johnson, champion sprinter who strained his boiler to catch a late train out of Corvallis. The same is true of Prof John B Horner and Rev Carrick.

The professor and the pastor fished recently at Elk City. They expected to take the evening train for Newport. In separate boats with a boy for a boatpuller, they trolled up and down the river.

While they trolled the train sped west. By and by it whistled for Elk station. At the moment, Horner's boat appeared round the bend, the oarsman bending to his oars with the desperation of a Kansas cyclone. In the stern of the boat stood Horner, his features set and his eyes on the train. With words of encouragement he urged his perspiring oarsman to pull harder, while he with a fish pole and great physical manifestation paddled the water.

As the train bell rang for departure a dark object leaped from the boat, and landed on shore. It lit running. A pair of coat tails flapped the breeze like the crack of an ox-driver's whip. Over stones and through salal bushes, kicking up dirt like a Texas steer, the object sped toward the moving train. It was Horner, and with a last convulsive effort that nearly disconnected his breathing apparatus he landed on the car platform, leaving fish, tackle and other belongings in the boat.

Shortly afterward, another boat appeared round the bend. The occupants were paddling under high pressure and water was flying in all directions. It was the minister, and with a broken board Rev Carrick was paddling like a steam engine. The next day was Sunday and he had an appointment to preach in a Newport church at 11 o'clock. The thought of the waiting congregation on the morrow made him strenuous and he worked his board with the desperation of a prize fighter in the last round.

It was no use. Through the willow branches that skirt the banks of the river, he saw the train glide out of Elk, and borne on the breezes to the Coast, he heard the crack of Horner's coat tails.

There was a melancholy passenger on the excursion train next day. He carried his and Horner's fish and tackle, and arrived at the Newport dock at half past twelve, an hour and a half after the time he was to have appeared in the pulpit. It was Rev Carrick. His theme for a future discourse, might be from that old and oft repeated text, "Hang the luck, anyway."

Old school books taken in exchange for new, at Gerhard's.

Auction Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will at 10 o'clock a m on Saturday September 20th, 1902 at the residence of A R Locke, 5 miles north of Corvallis, offer for sale at public auction for cash, the following property formerly belonging to Horace Locke, to wit: 1 3 1/2 inch Bain wagon, 1 top buggy, 2 14 inch Oliver steel plow, 1 7ft cut Plano binder, 2 years old, 2 sets work harness, 2 saddles, also other farming implements. 5 head horses, 5 cows, 2 yearlings, 35 head sheep, 25 head Angora goats, 1 poland China boar registered.
W. M. LOCKE.

For Sale.

Good Oxford and Marlowe bucks. Inquire of, or address T W B Smith, Corvallis, Oregon.

Sheep to Let

On shares, also on sale in lots to suit purchaser. Will sell on one years time with good security. Call or address: A Wilhelm, Monroe Ore.

Fresh vetch seed at Zierolf's.

Help Wanted

At the Commercial restaurant. Apply at once.

Fresh Saratoga chips in bulk at A Hodes.
—Just received, fresh Saratoga chips. Try them at Hodes.

To Let.

Fifty good Ewes. L N Edwards, Dusty Ore.

To Sell or Let.

On shares 300 good clean sheep. J. H. Edwards, Dusty,

FOR POOR PEOPLE

Council Passed an Ordinance Giving Them Time on Sewer Assessments.

Those who are not able to pay sewer assessments when due, are now allowed two years time in which to complete their payments. The arrangement is the result of an ordinance passed at Monday night's meeting of the council.

The ordinance, it will be remembered, was introduced in the council a month ago. It was at that time the subject of much discussion. Certain amendments were proposed and adopted, after which the bill went over to the next meeting.

The ordinance came up under unfinished business Monday night, and went through without a hitch or question. Under its terms the property owner unable to pay the sewer assessment, can give a note for the amount at six per cent interest, and have two years time for payment. The note must be secured by first mortgage on the property, and the property owner must pay the expenses incident to preparation and recording of the mortgage. The police judge is authorized to accept the mortgage and note subject to the approval of the city attorney, in satisfaction of the sewer assessment. The arrangement is very excellent.

HIS FUNERAL

Burial at Albany of Leslie M. Mattoon—The Body Horribly Burned.

The funeral of Leslie M Mattoon was held Wednesday afternoon under the auspices of the Odd Fellows says the Albany Democrat. A short sermon was delivered by Rev W W Davis. The remains were accompanied to Albany by the wife, Rev C H Mattoon, the father, and friends of the deceased.

The circumstances of the death of Mr Mattoon are very uncertain. He had been at work on his farm, but on account of asthma and other reasons, he was unable to sleep well in the ranch home. For this reason, the night preceding death, he had gone to his home at Summit for the night. His wife and son remained at this ranch home. For treatment of his asthma, Mr Mattoon used an appliance that required heat. The fire is supposed to have originated in some way from this cause. His body was horribly burned, being reduced by the flames to scarcely more than four feet in length.

The unfortunate man almost met his death in a fire fourteen years ago. He was station agent on the Great Northern railroad in Montana, and was in a burning building when the roof caved in, escaping with difficulty with a number of bad burns, the scars of which he carried during life.

Notice

Public school opens Monday. I have on hand a complete line of text books and supplies. All school books are net cash unless otherwise provided for by 9 a m Monday.

C. A. Gerhard, Prop.
The Book Store.

Child's Contest.

Every child under 16 years of age, has a chance to secure free a pair of Hamilton Brown Co's "Security School Shoes" One thousand pairs to be given away to children under 16 who make the best reproductions of fine pictures shown on contest book, this gives a splendid drawing lesson, and an opportunity to get a pair of shoes besides. Contest will close October 1st, 1902. For particulars see Nolan & Callahan, Local Distributors.

Wanted.

A ton of vetch hay. Inquire at TIMES office.

Blue Print Maps.

Blue print maps of any township in Roseburg Oregon and District, showing all vacant lands for 50 cents each. If you want any information from the U S Land Office address

TITLE GUARANTEE & LOAN CO.
Roseburg, Ore.

For Sale

Cotswold Bucks. Apply at Huston & Bogue Hardware store, Corvallis.

Zierolf has vetch seed.

Go to Zierolf's for vetch seed.

For Sale.

English rye grass seed, large cheat seed, and vetch seed. A few cords of oak wood, I am booking orders for vetch seed, speak in time.

Also pure bred Aberdeen Angus cattle Poland China hogs, and Shropshire bucks from recorded stock.

L. L. Brooks.

For Sale

One good work horse, \$60; 1 6-year old mare and colt, \$100; one young cow, \$25.

A. F. Hershner.

Vetch seed for sale at Zierolf's.

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Big line Ladies Jackets
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We have made special preparations for the Boys this season and are determined to give them the best school suits possible for a very modest sum, say

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School Shoes... We are agents for the celebrated Hamilton Brown Security School Shoes, Richardsons Seamless Shoes and Barker & Browns Good for Bad Boys Shoes, all warranted to give satisfactory service.

Black Giant hose for boys and girls.

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Just what you want when not feeling good.

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