TAYLOR PRESIDENT

Succeeds Gen. Beebe as Head of Chamber of Commerce.

HENRY HAHN IS VICE-PRESIDENT

L N. Fleischner the New Secretary-Reports of Work Accomplished Lust Year.

President-George Taylor, jr., of Taylor, Young & Co. Vice-president-Henry Hahn, of Wadhame & Co.

Secretary—I. N. Fleischner, of Fleisch-ner, Mayer & Co. Treusurer—Ladd & Tilton, bankers.

Trustees-A. L. Mills, of the Security Savings & Trust Company; S. M. Mears, of the Portland Cordage Company; Edward Ehrman, of Mason, Ehrman & Co.; E. T. Williams, of the North Pacific Lum-ber Company; J. F. Batcheider, of the Portland Railway Company; R. Livingstone, of the Oregon Mortgage Company
The foregoing were elected officers of
the Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting yesterday afternoon. There was no opposition. President Taylor, Vice-President Hahn, Secretary Fleischner and the six other trustees comprise the board of trustees. Messes, Taylor, righn, Batchof trus-ees. Messrs. Taylor, rishin, Batchelder and Livingstone were members of
the board of 1808-1806. President Taylor
will arrange for the formal organization
of the board and the appointment of the
standing committees of the Chamber of
Commerce in a few days.

The election passed off without incident.
A. H. Devers nominated Mr. Taylor. He
said that Mr. Taylor had long been a
prominent member of the chamber, a hard

prominent member of the chamber, a hard worker on committees, and a faithful at-tendant at meetings. When the secre-tary had cast the ballot for Mr. Taylor, President Beebe congratulated the cham-ber on the excellence of its choice. The new president was escorted to the chair by Mr. Devers. He said he keenly felt the honor which had been conferred upon him, and he assured the meeting that it was an honor to be the president of a commercial body of the standing of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Press-Portiand Chamber of Commerce. President Taylor then highly complimented ex-President Beebe, who, he said, had done great work for the city during his incum-bency. "Let me impress one thing upon you," said President Taylor. "No amount of work that can be done by the officers and members of this body or of any com mercial organization will be effective un less the officers and members have the sympathy and feeling of the people behind them. I believe that our Chamber of Commerce has that support, and that we are thus enabled to do good work in behalf The chamber, upon motion of W. D.

Wheelwright, thanked General Beebe by a rising vote for the able manner in which he had filled the presidency, and the general replied in his usual happy vein.
The greater part of the time of the meeting was taken up with the reports of officers and committees. President Beebe's

Drydock and Smelter.

"Details in connection with the work of the chamber on occasiors both of the meetings held by the general body and those of the trustees have been so fully and correctly set forth from time to time during the past year in the daily press that it would seem superfluous to submit on this occasion any extended review. "On the occasion of the last annual

meeting of the chamber the retiring president urged upon its serious consideration the great importance of a closer attention on part of members to its interests, more particularly as this would be evinced by their attendance at meetings. It is gratifying to note that a more favorable tendency in this regard has been developed during the year now closing, which, if ntained, will operate to greatly against the organization and influence of the chamber; and it is to be earnestly hoped that your officers and trustees to owen today will be given the encour-ent and support so gratefully afforded thereby.

"The annual report of your secretary, to be made today, will contain a brief review of the work of the chamber during the year, referring especially to matters which have been deemed to be of greater moment, as affecting the general interests of our immediate community and the state. Of these, easily the most important is the presecution of measures having in view the maintenance of ample barbor fa cilities at our own port, and a deep-water channel from Pertland to the ses. This subject is now receiving the most intelli-ment attention, and influences are in operition under conditions which assure feetive presecution, whereby it is hoped and expected that the important results

sought for will be speedily accomplished. "It is to be regretted that several other been from time to time seriously urged upon the attention of the community through the chamber, have not as yet been but in the way of definite accom-The most prominent, perhaps, of these is the building of a drydock, the establishment and operation of a smelter, and the ocation of a government assay office at Portland. So much has been said at different times upon these subjects, and their importance as affecting our local interest has been so frequently and strongly nrged, that no additional weight can be given the consideration involved by anything that could be said now.

With reference to a drydock, a general plan of the large floating sectional dock now being built by the Tietjen & Lang Drydock Company, of Hoboken, has been secured, and is on file in the secretary's office. This illustrates the description of dock which in their consideration of the matter, your trustees have deemed to be best adapted to our needs here. A working plan of a dock of this description. 250 feet in length, which, with outriggers at each end, will easily lift a vessel 500 feet long, has been ordered from an experineed builder in the East, together with all specifications of material necessary for construction, and a close estimate of It is expected that these will be ed in the course of a few weeks, and your board is earnestly in hopes that the matter can then be put before our immunity in a way to so convincingly illustrate the vast advantage involved. to at once elicit the interest and support necessary to assure construction.

"Your board has given this subject fre nuent and serious consideration during the year, and latterly has been actively endeavaring, both by correspondence and personal conference with parties interested ng these lines, to bring about the establishment of a smelter at Portland. It is hoped that negotiations recently undertaken, under its auspices, with this in view, but which as yet have failed to ma-terialize, may ultimately result success-

Assay Office for Portland.

"Your board has earnestly urged upon attention of the government, through the Oregon congressional delegation at Washington, the general advantage in-Washington, the general advantage in-volved in the location of a government missay office in Portland. These consid-erations have been put forward strongly, and our delegation urged to make vigorous and persistent effort to secure compliance

riewing the work of the chamber during the year now closing. I desire to assure you of the earnest interest which has been felt by your officers and trustees in their effort to direct the operation or its functions in such a manner as would be best calculated to accomplish the important results in the interest of our city and state, which it is its object to pre-mote. If any progress has been made in strengthening and broadening the sen-timent that, as favorably affecting our commercial interests, 'in union there is its secretary; strength,' your board will feel profoundly 'Generally s

grateful. In view of many signal illusof this prinrations of the sound wisdom siple in the experiences of other commu-nities, it is greatly to be hoped that the encouraging tendency in this regard, now apparently noticeable in our own will be diligently fostered. There is no limit to the good which can be accomplished by disinterested, united effort. It is the function of this organisation to crystallize effort in advecting and prosperities made. effort in advocating and prosecuting measures for advencing the general welfare, and it is my belief that at no time in the history of our community has there been more necessity for the operation of this beneficent influence than the present time. It is therefore of the utmost importance that a deep interest be maintained in the work of the chamber, and I carnestly urge for your board, which is to be chosen today, your most generous and hearty and interested support.

"I desire to make grateful acknowledgment on this oversion of the condiel comment on this oversion of the condiel comment.

ment on this occasion of the cordial co-operation and interest which at all times has been accorded me by the officers and trustees of the chamber during the past year. Especially to the vice-president, Mr. Taylor, are my thanks due, and they are most heartly extended, for his generous and interested counsel and assistance To a degree considerably greater than that ordinarily experienced, has this officer borne personally the detail involved in the administration of the affairs of the chamber throughout the year."

Chamber Has 153 Members. The report of Secretary D. D. Oliphant showed that since the annual meeting of January 16, 1899, the chamber had held one monthly, three special and three quarterly meetings. The trustees held 48 regular and special meetings. Then followed a brief summary of the business done at every meeting during the year. Secretary Oli-phant's report continues: "During 1889 the chamber lost through

resignations, withdrawals from business and death, 18 members. Fourteen new members have been elected, as follows: Acme Mills Company, P. J. Cronin, Co-lumbia Creamery Company, J. W. Cook, First National Bank, Inman, Poulsen & Co., Kerr, Gifford & Co., Pipes & Tifft, Portland Flouring Mills Company, Security Savings & Trust Company, A. F. Thane, T. S. Townsend, P. L. Willis, Catton, Bell & Co.

"Our membership consists at the present ime of 153 firms and individuals. "Among the most important actions taken by the trustees, as reported above, in the statement of business transacted at each meeting, was the decision that in striving to obtain recognition of Portland from the United States government it was most advisable to request one of the sena-torial delegation from the state to proceed to Washington, accompanied by a member of the chamber thoroughly con-versant with the various matters under consideration, who together would make strenuous endeavors to induce the national authorities to recognize the importance or Portland when outfitting and dispatching transports. Senator Simon was conferred with and promptly and cheerfully complied with the request. He was accom-panied by President Beebe, and the mater of transports was in consequence largely remedied, and four troop transports steamed out of our harbor for Manifa. The steamer Lennox was chartered here and remodeled by Wolff & Zwicker as a livestock transport, also sailing from this port for the Philippines. The Lennox is now on her return voyage to Portland for another cargo of animals.

"The matters of drydock and smelter have been quite thoroughly investigated, and indications are that by virtue of the labor of your retiring trustees and officers both of these important enterprises will be firmly established in Portland during

the current year,
"Besides these, action has been taken favoring a permanent general military hos-pital at Vancouver barracks, a marine hospital at Dutch Harbor, an assay office in Portland, a permanent exhibit of Oregon's resources in this city, and many other local public improvements, as well as favoring the construction of the Nicar-agua canal. And the chamber has been in communication with and co-operated with the chambers of commerce of many other coast cities in measures looking loward a general attention to and im-

Its chairman has prepared several inter-esting reports on matters connected with Portland's shipping interests, accompanied by exhaustive statistical tables.

"In closing this brief report the secre-tary desires to thank his colleagues on the board of trustees, and in particular Presi-dent Beebe and Vice-President Taylor, for their uniform courtesy, and the assistance he has at all times received from them in all matters pertaining to the duties of his office."

Secretary Frinacial Exhibit. The secretary's statement of receipts and disbursements from January 16, 1899, to

January 10, 1900, follows:

	Sale of standard grain sam-	560 00		
	ples (net) Subscriptions to emergency	8 14		
		2064 50		
	stenographer	155 00		
	Total receipts	*******	\$5670 3	1
	Assistant secretary	1200 00		
	R. M. Stuart (two months	300 00		Ē
	and back pay) Office expenses—		\$1670 (0
	Rent	400 00		
1	Stenographer	180 00		
1	Postage	80 00		
3	Printing and stationary	59 DA		

and back pay)	170 00-	-\$1670 (
Office expenses-	100.00	
Rent Stenographer	100 00	
Postore	180 00	
Postage Printing and stationery	80 00	
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death of Hon. W. S. Ma-		
son and William Honey-		
man, esq Oriental Directory	50 53	
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and party	21 00	
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Total 5670 51 "The debit item, account E. W. Becker, \$465 60, was an aggregation of expenditure in connection with illness, death and burial of E. W. Becker, formerly an en-listed man in the Second Oregon infantry. He was taken to a hospital at Spokane, Wash., for the purpose of having an operfor appendicitis, and, death ensuing, and there being no means immediately available otherwise, your poard authorised the expenditure from its funds as outlined above. In this connection it is to be stated that the state organisation of ex-Oregon volunteers, re-cently formed, has advised the chamber, through its president, that it considers itself obligated to reimburse this expendi-

ture. Work of Transportation Committee, following report, through W. A. Menrs,

leading events in the transportation world leading events in the transportation world which have affected, more or less, the whole Western half of the United States.

The development of the mines now in progress within the state, on a greater progress within the state, on a greater progress. In both of these your committee has laken great interest, and its action has no doubt influenced results. I refer to the arbitrary action of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways, taken the 1st of May last, whereby the differentials between carload and less than carload transcontinental freight rates were reduced, at the ated in the shape of gold, silver and instigation—one might almost say dicta-tion—of the jobbers and manufacturers of the Middle West; the other, which was probably caused by the first event, was the institution of a sult before the inter-state commerce commission by the job-bers of the Middle West to force the realbers of the Middle West to force the railroads to make a further reduction in their differentials and to establish a graded freight tariff, tased on distances.
"As I have said, this committee took great interest in these matters, used every

effort in the beginning to induce the two railroads to defer the institution of the tariff of May I until the Pacific coast job-bers could be heard from, and when this failed, induced a large and influential committee of our merchants to travel to St. Paul and meet the jobbers of the Middle West before the traffic managers of these roads, where the matter was fully argued and submitted. The result of this conterence was that although the objectionable tariff was in no way amended, the traffic managers of these two roads were put in such a position of manifest unfairness and discrimination against the West coast that discrimination against the west coast that shortly afterward the suit above mentioned was instituted. Of course, such matters are not subject of proof, but it would relieve these two traffic managers very much if the interstate commerce commission should rule that their action was not only a step in the right direction but.

To provide means for and secure the location and sources of the Pacific Northwest, including the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, respectfully report as follows:

"Your committee was also directed by the board of trustees to ascertain if the portion was not only a step in the right direction but."

Portland commission, the Manufacturers' not only a step in the right direction, but was, in fact, a step not long enough, and that no difference should exist in the rates obber, and he should at once retire and give over the field to the jobbers of the matter, however, who was the instigator of the suit, it was filed, and the first hearing was had at St. Louis in December

the traffic managers of the Northern Pa-clific and Great Northern, and the institudoing business in San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento, Marysville, Portland, Tacoma and Seattle to hands and interests to fight this case, and any others that might arise, and the Pacific Coast Johbers' & Manufacturers' As-sociation was formed—this city, having a membership of between 30 and 40 firms, with a resident vice-president, Henry Hahn. At the first hearing at St. Louis this city was ably represented by some of our leading jobbers and manufacturers, and a copy of the proceedings, some 800 pages, may be seen at the office of Mr. Hahn. It is understood that a part, if not all of the interstate commerce commission will hold other hearings at San Francisco Portland and Seattle during this month when a fuller statement of our position will be made by many witnesses represent-ing our heaviest interests. The outcome of this suit will be very far-reaching, involv-ing as it were the very life of our jobbing and manufacturing interests.

"As to the many local questions that have come before and been acted upon by this committee, I shall only mention the effort to get a fair portion of trade in the southern part of Idaho; the institution of a proper steamship line to Alaska; the increasing of our facilities for the trade of the Orient, and the question of an ' river'-all these questions have received the careful attention and earnest effort of this ommittee, besides many other questions.

Idaho Rates. "Great discriminations have been made against this city by the Oregon Short Line in the rates to Southern Idaho, especially at Boise City and within a radius of 100 miles thereto. Goods are hauled from San Francisco, a distance of 1000 to 1200 miles at no higher rates than are charged from provement on the Pacific coast, and of this city to same points, a distance of 400 lits multitudinous interests. "The navigation committee has been most active and diligent, and has promptly disposed of all questions submitted to it. was finally began by Allen & Lewis and other jobbing firms which is now before Judge Bellinger, of the United States court. This committee is in full sympathy with these merchants, and is doing every-thing in its power to assist them, and trusts that every firm being a mer

of this body will also assist them in every possible way. "Largely at the suggestion of this committee, a line of steam vessels, to ply between this port and Cape Nome, is vertised, and the first sailing will take place in the spring, early enough to reach those distant shores as soon as navigation is open. It is expected that this will greatly augment the trade of this city and be of great benefit

"Also, by the wish and influence of this committee, we are promised by those in control, a fully equipped line of steamships to the Orient, vessels to be of large

capacity and sufficient in number. Open River.

"This committee found this question to be a most difficult one to handle, from the fact that the government itself seems to be of two minds. Two congresses have passed bills committing the government to the project of a boat-railway. Money has been appropriated, and right of way been bought, but we note that the chief of en-gineers has lately recommended to congress that this idea be abandoned, and s portage rallway be built. The fear is that one of their projects will neutralize the other before congress to such an extent that nothing will be done on either; however, as Senator McBride is on the committee of commerce of the United States senate, and as he has at all times taken an active interest in the matter, and as it was through him that the law authorizing a boat-railway was passed, it is hoped that he will be able to overcome the objections of the chief engineer before congress and get a further appropriation, which will so commit congress to the plan that no change of plan could then be further contemplated. In the meantime, we continue to hear rumors of work being commenced on the Washington side of the Columbia by a syndicate represented by Paul F. Mohr, where they contemplate steamers and barges above and below the obstructions, but whether this is a bona fide effort to open the Columbia river this committee has as yet no means of know-Development of Mines.

J. F. Batchelder submitted the follow-

as most of the questions, such as the location of a smelter and United States assay office in this city, have been taken up direct by the board of trustees at their regular and special meetings. The great importance of both of these measures, on this state and other states tributary to merce." Portland, are too well understood to re-

quire argument at this time. "It is hoped that the movement set on foot by the retiring board of trustees will result in the location of a modern smelt-ing plant near Portland before the end committee, he said, recently held a meet-

scale than ever before, will result in bringing a great number of desirable citizens to the state and put large sums of money in circulation in all channels of trade, to say nothing of the new wealth which the mines add to that already creper produced. The latter metal will soon be produced in this state, as veins of val-uable copper ores which have long been known to exist are now being actively de

veloped. "Coal mines are also being develope near this city, which will, at an early date, revolutionize the coal business in this section and materially aid transportation, both by land and water, manufacturing of all kinds and the smelter proposition.

"The year 1900 promises to be an important one in the history of mining in the state of Oregon, and it is to be hoped that Portland will not neglect to get its share of the direct and indirect benefit to be derived from this important in-

Permanent Exhibit at Portland.

J. F. Batchelder, R. Livingstone and H. Wittenberg, the committee on permaner exhibit, filed the following report: "The committee appointed to take steps to provide means for and secure the loca-

other public bodies, such as the port of Portland commission, the Manufacturers' Association and state commission, with offices in Portland, could be brought tobetween a carload and less than carload gether with the Chamber of Commerce in shipment; in fact, that there is no good some common central location, where the reason for the existence of the West coast permanent exhibit and offices for the Portland Or., Jan. 3. various bodies could be maintained. I was the opinion of the members of the Mississippi and Missouri river valleys. No board of trustees that it would be a great convenience to the public and all persons seeking information if it could be obtained from one point and at the same time be in connection with the exhibit last.
"These two events, viz: The action of of the resources tributary to Portland.

"This committee took the matter up with the Port of Portland commission tion of this sult before the interstate and the Manufacturers' Association by letcommerce commission by the jobbers of ter. The former replied that it did not the Middle West, caused all the jobbers deem it advisable to make any change at and members on this coast, including those the present time. The Manufacturers doing business in San Diego, Los Angeles, Association, after due consideration, de cided that it would indorse the proposi-tion and do everything in its power to bring the matter to a successful issue. With this end in view, they appointed a committee, consisting of J. R. Holmes, W. H. McMonles and D. J. McMasters, to co-operate with this committee. Manufacturers' Association will also install an exhibit of the goods manufactured in this section to supplement the exhibit of raw materials, a very im-portant matter, in our opinion.

"Since this committee was appointed, new public body has come into the field. We refer to the new board of trade, recently organized. The attention of the board of trustees of this new organization being called to the proposed permanent exhibit, they appointed a committee, com-posed of W. H. Grindstaff, Seneca Smith and Samuel Connell, to Inquire into and report in regard to the scope and desira-bility of the movement. After consulta-tion with this committee, the above com-mittee for the board of directors decided to report favorably to the proposition and co-operate with this committee for the purpose of raising the necessary funds.

Cost of an Exhibit. "At this point the three committees from the Portland Chamber of Commerce, Manufacturers' Association and board of trustees joined and formed subcommittees to continue the canvass of the city to raise the \$2500 necessary to carry out the plan. Your committee in discussing this matter has everywhere met w. n hearty approval of the plan to advertise the great resources of the Pacific Northwest, in the manner proposed. The following annual subscriptions have been obtained for that pur-

Alnsworth National Danis, Alnsworth Security Savings & Trust Co., by C. F. Adams
Portland General Electric Co., by H.
W. Goode, Gen. Mgr.
Olds & King, Inc.

"In addition to the above subscriptions answers will be received in a day or so from Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Meier & Frank, Fleischner, Mayer & Co., Wolff & Zwicker iron works and others who have been seen but were not prepared to give an answer as to the amounts they would subscribe on the first visit. All the committees are now actively at work canvassing.
"In arriving at the question of funds

necessary to install and carry on the exhibit for the first year we submit the fol-lowing estimate, allowing \$125 per month, or \$1500 per year, for rent, as we believe a suitable location should be obtained for this amount. The estimate is as follows:

....\$2500 Total "The recent action of the Chamber of Commerce provides that it shall occupy the same quarters as the exhibit, and con-tribute to the rentals \$600 per year, and the Manufacturers' Association will pay \$300 per year; this leaves \$2500 to be raised by subscription. Should the Board of Trade also have its offices in connection with the exhibit they would also contribute something towards the expenses but your committee is not advised on this Third Street Favored.

"In canvassing your committee has had many locations for the exhibit suggested, but the best ground-floor location sug-gested in the opinion of your committee in point of size, central location and light, aul F. Mohr, where they contemplate all of which necessarily enters into the silding a portage railway with lines of question of a place suitable for an exhibit of this kind, is 126 Third street, adjoining the Short Line office, and we recommend the same, provided the rental can be satisfactorily adjusted.

committee respectfully recommends in closing that the matter be pushed to an early consummation, so that the exing report for the committee on mining and mineral resources, of which he is opinion of all railroad men and others "There have been no important matters referred to the committee on mining and mineral resources during the past year, "We would also recommend that a snewho are posted, it is believed that the

'We would also recommend that a sne cial committee be appointed by the Ch ber of Commerce to take charge of and manage the permanent exhibit under the direction of the board of trustees. As all funds subscribed for this exhibit are payaccount of their bearing on the present disbursements will have to be made by condition of the mining development in the trustees of the Chamber of Comable to the Chamber of Commerce

E. Quackenbush explained why the sea men's committee, of which he is chairman funds as outlined above. In this connection it is to be stated that the state organization of ex-Oregon volunteers, recently formed, has advised the chamber, through its president, that it considers litself obligated to reimburse this expenditure."

Work of Transportation Committee, The transportation committee made the following report, through W. A. Mears, lits secretary:

"Generally speaking, there have been two in the large amounts of gold which are being produced in Eastern and Southern Oregon, to say nothing of new fields being the committee, as it would be the means of bringing a vast volume of busing, and discussed the situation. He soubted whether any report, no matter how conclusive, would have the slightest effect on the situation, which, he said, is very unsatisfactory. "The situation essems," said Mr. Quackenbush, "to be an acceptance of conditions, at least for the through W. A. Mears, lits secretary:

"Generally speaking, there have been two."

Alaska gold, that will be brought down IN THE COMMON COUNCIL

> APPROPRIATION BILLS VOTED FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Long Argument Over Increase of Salary for City Attorney's Assistants-Another Liquor Ordinance,

The general appropriation ordinance and the usual special appropriation ordi-nances, making appropriations for the various city departments during the year 1900, were passed by the common council at their meeting yesterday, with two exceptions. These exceptions were ordi-nances creating funds out of which the salaries of license collectors and the exenses of the city jail shall be paid.

These ordinances were introduced by the committee on ways and means, with the lôca of assisting in defraying the expenses of the police department, not to the exent suggested by the opinion on this matter furnished the committee by the city attorney, but to what they considered a reasonable or justifiable extent. An ordinance providing for increasing the sala-ries in the city attorney's office \$25 per month and the salary of the stenographer \$10 per month was opposed, and a lengthy argument followed, finally resulting in

the passage of the ordinance.

The committee on ways and means submitted the following carefully prepared report on the estimate of probable reve-nue submitted by the auditor, from a perusal of which a clear idea of the financial condition of the city for the current

Financial Report. Portland, Or., Jan. 9, 1900.-To the Hon orable Mayor and Common Council-Gentlemen: Your committee on ways and means to whom was referred the estimate of the auditor, of the probable revenue of the city of Portland for the year 1900, and also the estimates of the several officers and departments of expenses for the year 1900, respectfully report that we have given the several estimates careful

consideration. The question of providing funds to mee the interest on our bond debt is of first importance, and it is necessary, therefore, to provide sufficient cash in the hands of the treasurer to meet the interest coupons when presented for payment.

The auditor's estimate of plicable to the payment of interest is as follows:

Total\$152,840 83

Your committee is of the opinion that to be absolutely safe in calculating cash receipts to the interest fund during the year 1900, the above estimate should be reduced about the sum of \$2850, on account of taxes for 1900, and about \$3500 on ecount of delinquent taxes for the year 1899, leaving as a net estimate of income to the interest fund for the year 1900 of \$146,490 83. The interest payments to be met during

the year 1900 are as follows: Amount General bonds \$ 486,500
Albina bonds 150,000
East Portland bonds 300,000
City Hall bonds 675,000 700,000 50,000 2,500 Ferry bonds..... Total\$2,361,500 \$123,140

To which must be added under a recent lecision of the supreme court, interest on improvement bonds, \$10,000; add cost of exchange, \$160; making the total interest to be paid \$133,300. In addition to the foregoing we must take notice of the fact that of the interest

as above stated, \$29,375 falls due on January I each year; therefore the city must provide at least that amount of surplus in the interest fund to be carried into

sum to be provided \$162,675. This leaves a deficiency in the interest fund of \$16,184 17 to be met from miscellaneous revenue, as provided by section 217, city charter.

General Fund. The auditor estimates the net income to the general fund for the year 1900 as \$167,179 05, which includes the sum of \$17,-648 40 cash in fund January 1, 1900, but does not include \$11,458 68, the Union banking account. Deduct the deficiency in the

interest account as above (\$16,184 17), and there remains available, \$150,994 88. Payable From General Fund. Your committee has carefully examined the several estimates submitted, and finds them generally as low as efficient service will permit. We have approved increased appropriations over last year as follows:

We submit herewith an ordinance making appropriations out of the general fund, showing in detail the appropriations approved. The total appropriations from the gen-

This is \$11,002 less than the expenses paid from the general fund for the year 1889, of which sum \$7100 is on account of charter reductions in salaries taking effect July

Deducting the total of appropriations from the net income to the general fund leaves a surplus for contingencies, such as judgments against the city, etc., of

Street Repair Fund. The auditor estimates the income of the street repair fund as follows: Cash in treasury, less expenses for December, 1899 December, 1899 \$ 941 98
Due from tax, 1899 665 32
Levy, ¼-mill for 1900 7125 00 Total\$8722 30 We have approved estimates and recommend appropriations out of said fund

bridges 2200 00 ..\$8171 00 Fire, Police and Street-Lighting.

Your committee fully realizes that by eason of the large and unexpected reuction in property values for the year 1900, made by the county assessor, amounting to over \$10,000,000 less than the values placed on the same property for the year 1899, the income from taxation to the fire, police and street-lighting funds will be greatly reduced—the reduction amounting to \$51,250 for the three departments. This results in a serious financial situation, so far as those departments are concerne and your committee has given the subject much earnest consideration.

Fire Department. The auditor's estimates of revenue available for the maintenance of the fire de-partment for the fiscal year 1900, are as follows: Available cash in treasury \$14,453 42
Due from tax 1899 5,322 50

Total \$78,463 42 Your committee recommends an appropriation of the sum of \$57,000, the probable proceeds of the tax of 2 mills for the year 1900, together with the amount of the unexpended appropriation for the year 1838, final passage, under suspension of the viz., \$15,500, and such money as may come rules, and the vote stood ayes \$, noes z, to the fire department fund pursuant to Jameson and Luckel voting no. Before to the fire department fund pursuant to ordinance No. 11,355, will, we believe, be sufficient to maintain the fire department again forgotten the hour of meeting and sufficient to maintain the fire department again forgotten the hour of meeting and sufficient to maintain the fire department again forgotten the hour of meeting and sufficient to maintain the fire department again forgotten the hour of meeting and sufficient to maintain the fire department again forgotten the hour of meeting and sufficient to maintain the fire department. on about its present basis.

Police Department.

create the offices and provide for the ex-

ment of about \$3340 expense.

We also submit an ordinance appropri-

ating for the maintenance of the police department \$48,875, proceeds of taxes for 1900, in addition to the sum of \$6608 50, baiance of the appropriation for 1899 unex-

Street-Lighting.

The contract for street-lighting provides for the payment to the Portland General Electric Company of the sum of \$53,000 out of the proceeds of the 14-mill tax provided for by subdivision 1, section 22, charter. As the entire estimated revenue from

said tax applicable to street-lighting will not exceed \$45,313 %, a deficiency for the year 1900 of not less than about \$7000 will arise in the street-lighting fund. We see no means of meeting this defi-

clency, except from the general fund. We submit an ordinance making an appropriation of \$42,750, the proceeds of the 11/2-mill tax for 1900, in addition to the sum of \$3563-73, balance unexpended appropriation for the year 1899.

We submit also an ordinance making an appropriation out of the interest fund of \$123,140 for the payment of interest on the ond debt falling due during the year 1900, also an ordinance making a transfer of \$5000 from the interest fund to the im-

provement bond interest fund.
You will, therefore, see that in view of the opinion of the city attorney above referred to, and of the provisions of ordi-nance No. 11,355, setting aside all of the delinquent taxes prior to the year 1899 for the benefit of the fire department, the general fund surplus of \$24,555, as above stated, is greatly reduced, to-wit:

...\$17,860,89 Leaving the sum of \$8895 surplus to meet any judgments against the city or other unforeseen exigency.
W. SHOWERS. GEORGE J. CAMERON, GEORGE L. BAKER,

Committee on Ways and Means. Appropriation Ordinance. The committee on ways and means sub-mitted the following general appropria-tion ordinance, making appropriations for the payment of the general expenses of the city of Portland for the fiscal year

The City of Portland does ordain as fol-lows: Section 1. That the following sums are hereby appropriated out of the general fund for the payment of the general expenses of the city of Portland for the year 1900, for the several objects hereinafter named, to be expended in conformity with and pursuant to the charter and ordincrease asked for up to July, when a new nances of the city of Portland, viz: administration would be coming in, but

of auditor's deputies and Salaries of auditor's deputies and clerks...

Salary of city attorney.

Salaries of deputies and stenographer, office of city attorney.

Salary of city treasurer.

Salary of deputy treasurer and for clerk hire...

Salary of city engineer.

Salaries of office deputy and one draughteman 2,590 draughtsman Salaries of surveyors, chainmen, rod-men, axmen, clerk and draughts-4,800 work
Pay of two sewer-repairers
Pay of labor, sewer repairers
Expense of material, tools, etc., for
repairs of sewers
Expense of horse feed, horseshoeing, harness and general repairs.
Salary of municipal unies

Salary of deputy inspector of plumbsing
Salary of poundmaster
Salary of deputy poundmaster and
extra help
Expense of feed, horseshoeing, repairs, etc., department of pound-1,100

master
Salary of city physician
Expense of indigent sick
Salary of health commissioner.
Salary deputy health commissioner.
Salary of harbormaster and harbor

Salary of harbormaster and harbor policeman.
Salary of parkkeeper.
Pay of laborers, City Park.
Expense of feed, material, tools, etc., City Park
Pay of three laborers, crematory.
Expense of fuel, crematory.
Repairs to crematory and sundry expenses
Pay of jamitors, City Hall.
For expense of lighting and heating City Hall
Expense of supplies and repairs, City 1,400

Expense of supplies and repairs, City Hall

Expense of supplies and repairs, City
Hall
Advertising city notices.
Stationery, blanks and blankbooks.
Cost and expense of litigation.

Expense princing messages and municipal reports
Miscellaneous expenses not otherwise specifically provided for.
Expense insurance, city property.
Repairing Main street and placing
Thompson fountain
Streetcleaning and sprinkling dep't—
Salary of superintendent.
Salary of foreman, stablemen and repairers
Pay of laborers.
Lighting barn
Expense of feed.
Horseshoeing
Sawdust
Veterinary
Rattan
Blacksmithing and repairs.
Harness, lumber, tools and other miscellaneous expenses
One new sweeper
Repair of roof and foundation of city barn
Expense of streetsprinkling. \$ 1,200 city barn 600 Expense of streetsprinkling 3,000

Following is a summary of the appropriations contained in the ordinance:

General fund 5125,439

Street repair fund. 8,171

Interest fund 152,140

Interest fund 57,000

Police department fund. 57,000

Police department 49,875

License collector's fund 2,240

City jail fund. 1,000

Transfer to bond improvement interest fund 5,000

License fund 5,000

Transfer to bond improvement interest fund 5,000

License collector's fund 1,000

License collect riations contained in the ordinance: .\$415,715 Total

Unexpended appropriation from 1899 cur-

 Light fund
 \$ 7,560

 Fire department fund
 15,500

 Police department fund
 6,698

arrived late, and had only heard the ordinance read, wanted to understand it. His was not conversant with the nature of it, The estimate of revenue for the police was not conversant with the nature of it, and particularly wanted to know way department for the ansuing year is \$51,-The estimate of expenditures submitted by the commissioners is \$6.00.

The commissioners also requested to be relieved of the expense of the license officer and deputy, the Boys' and Giris' Ata-son explained that he discussed. Jameson explained that he discussed. Jameson explained that he discussed is not explained to be discussed in the properties of the explained that he discussed is not explained that he discussed is not explained that he discussed is not explained to be discussed. cer and deputy, the Boys' and Giris' Aid son explained that he was opposed to the Society officer, the humane officer and the expense of maintaining the police building, amounting to about \$850. building, amounting to about \$5250.

The city attorney has decided that the to strike Martin as about correct, and has police building should be paid from the his vote to no, and Baker changed his general fund, and that the council may vote to no, and the ordinance came near made his vote no. Then Hanson changed pense of special officers for the Boys' and plained that this was only a general appropriation ordinance, and did not carry ciety. Acting in part upon the opinion of the city attorney, we submit ordinances providing special funds out of which will be paid the license officers and expense of the police building. These ordinances, if open their batteries on this, and work their will on it. With this understanding the ordinance was passed, the votes changed to no being changed back again.

Then the committee on ways and means introduced in succession special ordinances making appropriations out of the street epair fund, interest fund, fire department fund, etc., for the amounts appropriated for each, as set forth in the summary of appropriations already given. They were passed in succession, with the exceptions An ordinance creating a fund for the

payment of sainties of license collectors by setting aside 1% per cent of all licenses collected, and appropriating the money, was referred to the license committee. Another ordinance creating a fund for efraying the expenses of the city jail, by setting aside 50 per cent of all fines collected in the police court, and appropriating the money, was also referred to the li-

ense committee. These ordinances were recommended by the committee as the ensiest way of ansissing in paying the expense of the police department, as had been earnestly requested by the police commission. Several of the councilmen were not in hearty accord with the idea, or the scheme for carrying it out, and the ordinances were referred without any objections being made.

Next came up an ordinance providing

for increasing the salaries of the two deputy city attorneys 25 per month each, and the stenographer 10 per month, mak-ing the salary of the chief deputy 1900 per annum, the second deputy \$1500, and the stenographer \$720, involving in all an in-

creased expense of \$720 per year.

As several of the members had aiready expressed their opposition to this measure, on motion, City Attorney Long was invited to give his reasons for asking for the increased salaries.

Mr. Long made a lengthy speech. He showed how hard he and his assistants were worked, often seven days in the week, stated that Mr. Davis had tried over 1306 cases during the year, and that the sten-ographer not only did all the typewriting for his office, but also for the mayor's, called attention to the spiendid record or the office, the important cases won, the great increase in the amount of work to be done, and, in short, made one of the best bits of special pleading on record, claiming that his assistants fully earned and were clearly entitled to the increase of salary he had asked for. About every member present had something to say on the subject. Jameson and Luckel most strenuously opposed the appropriation. Jameson held that while the salaries of of-floers who had been elected by the people were to be cut down by the new charter, it would not be the proper thing for coun-climen who were going out of office in six months to increase the salaries of persons who had taken positions knowing what

their salaries were. Hanson sold that every department in the city had had more work thrown on it than had been expected. He did not think it right to increase salaries at this

Belding favored paying the increase, as did Baker, who made quite a lengthy speech on the subject.

... \$ 4,000 this was not considered favorably.

The debate lasted the best part of an hour, and all who took part seemed very much in earnest. Auditor Gambell, being granted permis-

6,480 Auditor Gambell, being granted per and 1,700 sion to speak, paid the city attorney and his deputies high compliment for their efficiency and the large amount of work they had done. Cameron called attention to the large amount of extra work which would be thrown on the city attorney's office by prosecuting suits to be brought under the

curative act. Finally Martin, who had pulled the string which started the whole debate, moved to suspend the rules and put the ordinance on its final passage, and it was passed by ayes 3, noes 2 (Meyer absent), Jameson and Luckel voting no. One of the councilmen, in explaining his vote, said he believed in giving the devil

his due, which the city attorney and his deputies may consider an ambiguous compliment. Wants All Liquor Men to Pay \$400. Cameron introduced an ordinance to amend section 5, of the license ordinance.

Its provisions are as follows: "Section 5-Every person or corporation to whom a license shall be issued under the provisions of this ordinance shall pay into the city treasury a license fee as fol-

"First, if for the sale or offering for sale, barter or dilivery of any spirituous, malt or vinous liquors, in any place within the corporate limits of the city of Porland, the applicant shall be deemed a liquor dealer, and shall pay the sum of \$400 per annum in quarterly payments. "And no license shall in any case be is-sued until the license fee for the ensuing quarter or unexpired portion thereof has been paid.

"Any person or corporation violating any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$200, or by imprisonment not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days."

The ordinance was referred to the license An ordinance levying the annual installnents under the bonding act was intro-suced and passed, so those who have taken advantage of the bonding act may get ready to pay their installments.

A certified transcript of a judgment in favor of E. K. Jones against the city for

TO STAMP OUT THE BUGS. Horticulture Board Is Going to Use Every Effort.

The Oregon state board of hortfculture held its regular quarterly meeting in this city yesterday. Those in attendance were: miscellaneous expenses
One new sweeper
Repair of roof and foundation of city barn
Expense of streetsprinkling
Total
Total
Summary of Appropriations.

dots in attendance were:
H. B. Miller, president; L. B. Reynolds, treasurer; H. E. Dosch, secretary
The beard audited the accounts of the district commissioners, examined their reports and laid out work for them to perform in the immediate future. It is real-

form in the immediate future. It is real-ized that the most effective work in be a virtue, and this sentiment seems to be heartily indorsed by all progressive fruitgrowers.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

Be sure and use that old and well-tried resme Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for childr tecthing. It soothes the child softens the gan allays all pain, curse wind coile and diarrisoss

If Baby is Cutting Teeth,