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WHAT THE COUNCIL MAY DO

FORECAST OF THE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON. Little Prospect of Granting of Fifth-Street Franchise—Ordinances That Will Come Up.

There is but slight prospect of any report being made to the Council today on the matter of the street railway franchises asked for on Fifth street.

with him in the view that the county could not afford to pay taxes on a high valuation, thus paying an unnecessarily heavy tribute to the state for the use of a little more money.

MONDAY'S SCHOOL ELECTION

Qualification for Voters—Registration Not Necessary. So many inquiries are received by the Oregonian in regard to school election matters that it is impracticable to answer them all in detail.

It is quite likely that the scheme for opening Kelly street, through Terwilliger Park, will be approved by the Council. It is said that some politicians are beneath this scheme, and that while the opening of a thoroughfare through the park will benefit some people, it will involve the expense of securing right of way through some private property, and ultimately in the city being put to the expense of improving the extension, which there is no money to pay for.

License Collector Beach was engaged yesterday in having a license prepared for the benefit of dealers in coal oil. This new order provides that all persons who deal in coal oil and keep in stock less than 100 gallons shall pay a license of \$1.25 per quarter.

It is expected that two ordinances will be introduced in the Council today for the regulation and control of persons using electricity. One is from the water committee, and is intended mainly to secure the protection of water and gas pipes from being injured by electric currents.

Mr. Thompson has heretofore served the district acceptably and efficiently for 18 years, and has always been conspicuous in school matters. He is also president of the Humane Society, and for many years has offered prizes for the best essays and the humane treatment of dumb animals and birds.

Mr. Thompson has been president of the Portland Business College—one of the leading establishments of the kind in the country—for the past 10 or 15 years, and he was some years one of the regents of the University of Oregon. These facts will serve to give an idea of the interest Mr. Thompson has taken and the part he has played in educational matters.

ASSESSMENT NOT TOO LOW.

Assessor Greenleaf Talks of Valuations Last Year. Assessor Greenleaf desires to say for the benefit of citizens of other counties who are asserting that the valuations of Multnomah County in 1905 is ridiculously low, that not only in this county, but in proportion to that of other counties, but that more cheaply here, and that their valuation was not too low.

There was no agreement as to a uniform rate of valuation at the meeting of Assessors held last July, the proposal to average the valuations of several years past being rejected by Mr. Greenleaf on the ground that Multnomah had not been fairly treated by the State Board of Equalization, and that such a valuation would be unjust.

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HE WAS FIRM TO THE END

SCHOOL DIRECTOR STROWBRIDGE'S LAST DISPUTE. Board of Education Holds Final Meeting Before Election of New Director—Polling Places.

Last evening the final meeting of the Board of Education as at present constituted was held, and the usual conflict between the majority and minority occurred. Chairman Strowbridge representing the latter. Names of judges, clerks and polling places for the school election next Monday were fixed. Otherwise, matters were largely routine, save the election of a new director.

Chairman Strowbridge retires from the Board after the election of a new Director Monday. He has been on the Board five years, and the last year, according to custom, has been presiding officer. The last meeting was quite like those during the past year, in which the chair and some members or members warmly disputed methods of procedure or subjects considered.

A request from S. E. Joseph, dean of the medical department of the University of Oregon, that the school be held in the hall of the High School to hold commencement exercises of the department, April 2, was granted. Then followed voting on the matter of tuition, and a resolution was adopted that the new rules be adopted.

A young woman, 19 years old, said she had lived here two years and wanted permission to attend the High School. She was deemed a resident and clearly entitled to that privilege, but when she asked the same privilege for her sister of 17, for whom she was guardian, the board thought that case should be referred to the other tuition matters pending. A widow said she had a child in her family, 7 years 6 months old, which had been there since it was three months of age, and she considered it his own, which had been refused admission. The board readily granted its right to attend Portland schools.

INJURED BY A SHOCK.

Men Removing Water Meter Knocked Down by a Ground Current. T. E. Dowling, an employe of the Water Committee, who, in company with W. Canavan, was removing a meter from a water pipe in the American Exchange warehouse, at the foot of Madison street, was severely injured by an electric shock from the effects of which he is still confined to his bed. His wrists are bent out of position, and are very painful, and his back also pains him.

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Mr. Walker at once laid the matter before the Board of Fire Commissioners, and an ordinance has been prepared with a view of preventing such accidents in future, which has been handed to City Attorney Long to be introduced at the meeting of the Council today.

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NO COLOR LINE DRAWN

COLORS MEN FROM CALIFORNIA OPENS DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN. He is a New Acquisition, a Scholar and an Orator, and Discusses Tariff Intelligently.

It is hardly true to say that the Democrats have carried the war into Africa, but they opened the Spring campaign last night with a speech by a colored man from California, who has pitched his tent in Portland, and has come to Oregon to stay. The new Moses who is to lead the Popocrats out of the wilderness is a young colored citizen named Charles A. Hughes, who has as his political credentials a flattering letter from Stephen M. White, Mayor of Philadelphia, and other great Democrats of California.

He is a scholar and an orator. James Hamilton Lewis was to have addressed the meeting, which was under the auspices of the Central Democratic Club, but that gentleman was detained at the National Capital, and the new acquisition was brought forward as a substitute. He made a better speech than Lewis probably would have. He was listened to attentively, and applauded vociferously. He was taken under the wing by the bigger gun of the party and was rather god-fathered by George E. Chamberlain.

The first note of warning was sounded by Colonel Robert A. Miller, of Oregon City, who made what may be termed a "strong" speech, and in the dramatic way about trusts, and defined the differences between a republican and monarchical government, and prophesied that the country was rapidly drifting from the democratic to the aristocratic.

"We are swiftly drifting from our ancient moorings," cried he, "toward the maelstrom of aristocracy. The aristocrats already own all the railroads and the newspapers, and will soon control everything." He referred to the danger to our free institutions and spoke of the one great newspaper of the Northwest that now is editorially fair, but which will grow quiet as a section day approaches. "It will be hushed by the same voice that rules the halls of Congress and the executive mansion," he said.

Colonel Miller said McKinley had a padlock on his mind, and was afraid to voice his convictions. The speaker said the people of Clackamas are aroused as they never were before, and he predicted a great Democratic victory. The speaker, E. B. H. Wood, stood sponsor for Mr. Hughes, and took occasion to refer with pride to the fact that his own state (Mississippi) was the only one in the Union to send a negro to the United States Senate. Many colored people were present, and Mr. Chamberlain's remarks touched the right spot.

"What state North recognizes the colored man?" he asked. "None," came the reply from the colored contingent. "What has Multnomah County done for you?" "Nothing," came like an echo. "None" came the reply from the colored contingent. "What has Multnomah County done for you?" "Nothing," came like an echo.

Hughes Discussed the Tariff. Then he introduced the speaker of the evening, Charles A. Hughes. The orator said he was a colored independent American citizen, who owed no fealty to anybody. He first took up the tariff question, which he discussed for three-quarters of an hour. He applied its workings to the laboring class, and particularly to the colored race, on whom the protective system falls heavily. "This system," he said, "is the worst kind of slavery that ever existed, except the old chattel slavery of the South, now dead and forgotten. By no stretch of imagination is the negro a manufacturer. It is to the shame of the North, East and West that the negro is not permitted to work in factories, and only in the South can he work at a trade. Yet the negro is a great consumer. He eats better food, wears better clothes, drinks better whisky and smokes better tobacco than any other class which obtains the same compensation for his work."

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CHARACTER OF SVENGALL

Character of Svengall. "What part do you like best to play?" was the question put to Mr. Frawley the other day by an interviewer, in the presence of several friends.

GOLF COMPETITION.

Contests for Local Cups and Annual Tournament. The annual tournament of the Pacific Northwest Golf Association will begin on Waverly Links Wednesday, April 25, and will continue through the following Saturday.

Making for East Eighth Street.

In a few days the slabwood wagons, which mainly wore out Grand avenue between East Clay and East Grand streets, will be turned loose on East Eighth street, and that fine improvement will soon be ruined. A roadway extends across the Leidy field, where thousands of cords of slabwood are being stored, south of Stephens' Slough, and over the sidewalk to East Eighth street. It is thought that if all the slabwood wagons concentrate on this street it will soon be in as bad condition as Grand avenue. The bridge across the Stephens' Slough will soon have to be repaired, as the surface is worn thin. The people living south of Stephens' Slough and all along East Eighth street are not especially pleased over the prospects of the spoiling of that street, but they cannot do anything, as the teams have a right to go anywhere. Under present procedure there is no way to repair Grand avenue so they can go that way, and the same conditions prevail elsewhere. It may result in a change being made in the charter, so that streets may be repaired by districts.

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