# **MORE FUNDS NEEDED**

Mayor Rowe's First Message to the Council.

LEGISLATURE MUST PROVIDE

Otherwise the Fire and Police Departments Must Fall Below the Point of Efficiency-Estimates for the Year.

The first meeting of the Common Council for the year was held yesterday after, noon, Mayor Rowe presiding and all the members present except Nealond. The members having just completed the labors of one century seemed in no hurry to nmence on those of another, and, as there was not much business to be transacted, they chatted and loked until 2:30 o'clock before taking their seats.

The Mayor presented his annual mea-sage. Auditor Devlin submitted the best guess he could make at the income of the city for the year. The report of the viewers in the matter of opening and extending Seventh street was adopted. The name of East Water street North was changed to Occident street. All unpaid bills of the police department were dis-

Mayor Rowe presented the following message, which was received and ordered

"Portland, Or., Jan. 1.1901 .- To the Honerable Common Council of the City of Portland, Or.: "Gentlemen: In pursuance of the re-

requirements of the city charter I present derewith a comparative statement of the expenses of the city since January 1, 1883, and a statement of the present financial condition of the city:

The rememption of the same, then the same within a limited time, the sale of the same at public auction.

"Many street improvements have been made during the past year, but our system is defective inasmuch as it provides

year, bonds in the sum of \$56,500, which were issued May 1, 1891, to take up bonds then due, and which were originally issued for the purchase of the City Park. I find no provision in the city charter for the renewal of those bonds, and, there-fore, they must be paid.

"The estimates for the various depart-

ments which have been approved by the Board of Public Works have been made with a view to the strictest economy con-sistent with reasonable service. The neresulty for certain amendments to the city charter that will provide sufficient reve-nue for the maintenance of government and the payment of interest on the bonded debt of the city is imperative. Otherwise the Fire Department, the Police Department, the Street-Cleaning Department and many other branches of the city service will have to be reduced far below what they were last year, and if so, their entire usefulness will be destroyed. We have also a floating debt for the sum of \$12,100 50, the warrant therefor having been issued to satisfy a judgment rendered against the city. There are also moral obligations for police service and street lighting for the months of Octo-ber, November and December of 1900. I am in favor of paying the obligations of this city and maintaining its credit, al-though by so doing we may be compelled to dispense with every character of pub-

## Keep Streets Clean,

"Our city presents a bad appearance be cause our people are careless about keep-ing the streets clean. I recommend a more rigid enforcement of the law relative to the piling of wood, lumber and other material in the streets. I would like to see all property-owners compelled to cut the weeds and grass between the every kind of old vehicle, machines, woodsaws, etc., and I would recommend the passage of an ordinance providing that the Poundmaster shall remove and im-pound all such articles, provide a fee for the redemption of the same, and if not re-deemed within a limited time, the sale of the same at public auction.

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CITY'S	EXPENDITURES	FOR	EIGHT	YEARS

YEAR.	General -expenses	Fire	Police	Street- cleaning	Light	Interest	Total
1893	\$172,683 09 186,504 24 138,064 07 123,199 44 136,659 09 133,892 10 134,066 03 100,479 20	780,000 54	\$119,196 43 ,103,993 62 86,318 23 71,318 94 71,692 41 85,006 74 66,634 13 *62,245 42	30,155 40 38,829 90 49,673 39 32,301 27	N1,098 71 75,706 26 86,005 56 83,612 98	100,5% 66	530,645 4 552,732 4 567,863 5

which are due and which have not been presented to the City Treasurer for pay-

\*Includes unpaid claims for police and lights to end of the year 1900.

permitted to deteriorate until they are no longer serviceable.

This is shown to us very forcibly in the Fire Department. In consideration of securing improved apparatus for this department the Board of Fire Underwriters are offering a reduction in insurance rates which in two years would more than which in two years would more than equal the expenditure necessitated. It must be apparent to every citizen that the

Department, the Health Department, contagious diseases and the care of indigent sick, care of City Parks, expense of City Hall, the operation of the garbage cre-matory, the Harbermaster's Department, the improvement of streets in front of public property, street and bridge repairs, insurance, advertising, stationery and blanks and all other similar items for which no provision is made by general taxation, but which must be cared for by

venues from licenses.
"Following is the summary of receipts and disbursements for the year 1999, excepting interest on water bonds, street and sewer improvements and street ex-

January 1, 1900, total balances	51
Total	64

Avnilable Resources Less. "At this time it is impossible to esti-mate the resources of the city for the year 1901, but from the best information "TY

"From the foregoing table it will be seen that the cost of the various departments of the city has been decreased each year, and that the charge for interest has been continually increased, until it now absorbs a very large share of the city revenues. The economy practiced in the various departments necessitated by the period of hard times has not in many instances been judicious. The equipment of the departments has been permitted to deterior. to the Southern Pacific Railroad. This street is subject to heavy traffic which nothing but stone or block pavement will stand. Some charter provision should be made that would enable the city to make such an improvement without charging the entire cost to the abutting property, which has already been repeatedly as-sessed.

Franchises.

manner and what are the mutual rights created by those ordinances and the steps taken under them are all involved in doubt. I believe it to be an important duty of the present administration to carefully examine into these franchises and adjust the same upon some basis that will protect the rights of the public and at the same time be fair to the corporations interested. These franchises are already of great value and will become more so each year. I believe that if careful attention was given to this subject it would be possible to recall the franchises in which the rights of the public would be protections in the franchises in which the rights of the public would be protections.

The supposition that your honorable body will levy the full amount of tax authorized by the function to be an important of the function that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the subject to the full amount of tax authorized by the present city charter. I have made no estimates of extraordinary receipts from the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the subject to the Municipal Court, for the reason that at this time the large amount of the subject to the full amount of tax authorized by the full amount of the rights of the public would be protected by a suitable provision regulating the operations of the companies, providing for the proper maintenance of the streets by the companies, the payment o fa rea by the companies, the payment of fa reasonable sum for the privileges conferred,
the forfeiture of franchises for failure
of the companies to perform their obligations to the public, and providing further for a definite time not too far distant when the franchises shall end.

"I therefore recommend that your honorable body give this subject consideration.

An ordinance was passed by a unanimous

City of Portland, the available funds for the current year will be much less than for the preceding year. This is due to the fact that near the close of the year 1859, delinquent taxes for a number of years were collected, aggregating for city purposes about \$85,500.

"There will be due on May I, of this the sum of \$85,600 which the sum of \$85, mission the following-named citizens: Charles F. Beebe, Thomas L. Eliot, Henry Fleckenstein L. L. Hawkins and Rufus Mailory. These gentlemen are devoting a great deal of fime to the duties assigned them, and I am confident will secure results in the way of park improvements which will contribute largely to the beauty and attractiveness of this city.

Board of Public Works. 'The Board of Public Works is com-posed of men of superior ability. They are shrewd and painstaking business men, and I feel sure that in the line of their duties no city receives a more valuable service from officers than the City of Portland is now receiving from this body. In the administration of every depart-ment under their control they are seeking to systematize the work and are scrutiniaing every expenditure as well as the character of the work done and the sup-plies purchased with the utmost care. "I desire to thank your honorable body for your daily assistance and your diltfor your daily assistance and your dili-gent work, and also to congratulate this city upon the service you are rendering it. It requires a very great degree of civic pride and local patriotism to de-vote be much time to a public service without compensation. I have been grat-ified many times to note the amount of thought you have given to matters which were in themselves apparently of small concern, but it is the aggregate of such matters that determines the economy and ment, who desire to commence suit wisdom of the administration of public against the city to recover the wages due

affairs. Respectfully submitted.

"H. S. ROWE, Mayor,"

On motion, accepted and placed on

Auditor's Estimate of City Revenues. In compliance with the provisions of section 217 of the city charter, which requires the Auditor to submit at the first meeting of the Common Council in January a statement of the estimated amount of revenues for the current year to be derived from all sources, and limits the expenditures to be made for all purposes to the aggregate of such estimated reve-

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	General fund-	3 5365	31 128 7
	Available balance, Jan. Estimated receipts—		47,68
ċ	General licenses	\$ 47,995 00	
ť.	Saloon licenses	\$115,800 00	
	Vehicle licenses	6,150 00	
í	Delinquent taxes	2,500 00	
	Dog Beenses	6,850 00	
-	Pound fees	1,250 00	
	Pound fees		36 1 10
٦,	block 132	2,000 00	
	Engineering, advertis-	Marien, see	
	ing, etc		
	Fines, Municipal court	2,000.00	
	Miscellaneous expenses		
	Premium on bonds		\$193,92

Total	*	141,608	86
Fire Department fund— Available balance Jan. 1, 1901 Estimated receipts—		6,496	30
Estimated receipts-   City taxes 1991		58,635	25
Total	\$	65,133	56
City taxes 1901\$ 49,983 23		50 B68	23

Police Department fund— Available balance Jan. 1, 1901 Estimated receipts— City taxes 1901\$ 49,993 23 Delinquent taxes 875 00-		50,868	33
Total Interest fund, bonded indebte Available balance Jan, 1, 1901 Estimated receipts-	đn		

City taxes, 1901\$ 71,41 Delinquent taxes 1,25	9 0b 0 00—\$ 72,969	00
Total		25
City taxes, 1901\$ 42,85 Delinquent taxes	1 40 0 00—\$ 43,601	40
Total	3 43 601	40

"In compliance with the requirements of section 217 of the charter of the City of Portland I submit herewith an estimate which is two years would more than sum strange are designed in the expenditure necessitated. It must be apparent to every citizen that the elevated roadways and bridges built in prosperous times have been decaying very rapidly, and to keep them at all service-able has necessitated a very large expenditure, which is charged as part of the general expense of the city.

The item in the above table designed as "General Expense" of the city does not necessarily mean expenses paid out of the general fund, but the salaries of officers and clerks, expense of litigation, maintenance of Municipal Court, the Plumbing Department, the Health Department, contagious diseases and the care of indigent sick, care of City Parks, expense of City of the probable resources of this city

An ordinance adopting the report of the viewers in the matter of opening, laying out and establishing of Seventh street, from the north line of Ankeny street to

An ordinance to change the name of The Park Commission of the City of East Water street, in Wheeler's and Holshtainable it is very evident that unless | Portland was organized under a general laday's Additions, to Occident street, was the Legislature will provide relief for the law of the state October 29, 1900. The introduced by the street committee, and

passed. One of the Councilmen suggested that the first letter in the new name be accidentally changed to "A" and thus at-fording a sufficient reason for changing the name to Accident street.

Routine Business. An ordinance authorizing the condemna-tion of a strip of land 15 feet wide on each side of the center line over and across sections 21 and 22, in township 1 north, range 1 east, from the Willamette River to the west line of Maryland ave-nue, to enable the city to construct a sower thorsely as part of the sewer therein, as part of the Beach-street sewer district system, was

8, in block 7, Carshops Addition, \$23 90, the cost of repairing the sidewalk in front

the general fund for the payment of janitors and watchmen at the City Hall was passed.
Ordinances declaring the probable cost of improving certain streets and making

appropriation therefor as follows, were Tiliamook street, from Williams avenue to Rodney avenue, \$1448 SL East Fifteenth street, from Belmont to

East Burnside, \$5677 M.
South half of Thompson street, from
East Eleventh to East Seventh, \$747 29.
The claims of the police department against the city for the months of Octo-ber. November and December were, on motion of Mulkey, disallowed. This was done to accommodate the police depart-ment, who desire to commence suit

A resolution directing the City Engineer to prepare plans and estimates for the improvement of Garfield avenue was

Improvement of Garneid avenue was adopted.

Petitions for the improvement of East Fifteenth street from Clinton to Elisworth, and East Thirty-third street from Belmont to East Morrison, were granted, and the City Engineer was directed to prepare the necessary plans and specifications. A petition to lay out and establish East

Eighteenth street from the Sandy road to Hawthorne avenue was referred to the committee on streets. The 16th of January was set as the time The 1sth of January was set as the time for considering petitions for the vacation of certain tracts of land in Sunnyside and for vacating a portion of Twenty-seventh etreet, at which time objections, if any, will be heard.

ARRESTS IN THE PAST YEAR Police Apprehended 3364 Persons in

the Last Twelve Months. Arrests to the number of 3364 were made by the police in Portland in the year 1900. Apart from the arrests for gambling, so far as the total number of arrest is con-cerned, the police assert that there has

egen less crime this past year in the city than in the yea. 1809. Of the total of 3364 arrests for the year 1909, 3149 were males and 215 females. The 1900, 319 were males and 21s remales. The offenses for which these arrests took place are: Ansault and battery, 171; drunkenness, 84; violation of city ordinances, 22s; larceny, 172; vagrancy, 106; suspicious persons, 106; sturdy beggars, 92; trespiss, 46; larceny from person, 46; drunk and disorderly, 50; disorderly fighting, 31; burgiary, 20; larceny by ballee, 17; larceny in dwelling, 13; forgery, 12; robbery, 11, and miscellaneous, 636; total, 2384.

For the year 1899 there were 2862 arrests in the city. Now, since July, 1900, the police have made about 800 arrests-included in the total of 25%—in the new system of raiding gambling-houses once a month, thus showing 25% arrests for 1900, but not including these gambling arrests. That is why the police argues that "there have been less arrests and therefore less crime" is Portland in 1900 than in 1899. The gambling arrests for 1900 are included in the arrests for "vio-

lations of city ordinances."

In speaking of the arrests for 1900, a police official said last night: "We are glad that the showing is such a good one. Of course, we do not claim that for or course, we do not chaim that for every offense committed in the city for 1900 there has been an arrest in every case. Sometimes the persons committing such offenses left the city before the cases were placed in our hands; and in other cases the persons who suffered by reason of the acts of the guilty parties did not lodge complaints with the police department. In that event, no arrests were made, of course. Still, when one considers the numbers of homeless and desperate men who, during 1900, have not had any luck in Alaska, and, after being turned away from Seattle and Tacoma, float to Portland, the showing is a good one for the Portland police department." In 1888 the total arrests were 2262, of which 2916 were males and 347 females. For drunkenness, 1144 arrests took place, assaults and battery 258, burglary 50, lar-ceny 192, sturdy beggars 111, and trespass 128.

In 1896 there were 2972 arrests; in 1895, 3721, and in 1894, 3844 arrests.

New Schoolhouse for Gresham

At the recent school meeting held at Gresham, a 20-mill tax was levied by the taxpayers of the district for the erection of a new schoolhouse. A year ago a 50-mill tax was levied, but there was not quite enough, although it brought \$4000. The last levy will produce \$25000, which, with the first sum, will enable the directors to put up a good two-story structure.

The present building, which has done service for a good many years, will be sold. Plans for the proposed school-house are being prepared, and the structure will be built in vacation next year.

# BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth. ure and use that old and well-tried remedy Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children ing. It soothes the child, softens the gums

scared over the talk of laws to compel them to put fenders and vestibules on their cars and otherwise equip them with special contrivances for safety or comfort special contrivances for salety of the of the public or the operatives. If the of the public or the subject, Legislature will pass laws on the subject, they say they will have to do the best they can under the circumstances im-posed. It is intimated, however, that if the current reports correctly represent the intentions of Legislators, they have much to learn regarding the business of operating street rallways. It is proposed to solve by a statute problems that have long vexed and still baffle street-car men. "The best safety devices for street-cars," said a street rallway man yester-day, "are alert motormen and good

brakes for the cars. As to fenders, there have been about 50 invented and tried, and none of them have proved satisfactory. There are only four or five of them. now on the market, and they will probably soon go the way of the ethers. It is impracticable to keep a fender scraping the track, and the spring of the car is sufficient to raise the fender at times so that it would not scoop up a person fallen on the track. It is found that the fender is often an agent of injury rather than a means of protection. It projects three or four feet in front of the car and trips up people and rams wagons that would otherwise be safe. They hurry past a car, but fail to give allowance for the prow or fender, and are caught by it. It deceives

both the motorman and the person who gets in its way.
"In Portland there is particular reason for non-use of the fender, the streets be-ing narrow and crossings numerous. The fender would add materially to the length of the cars. Where streets are so wide that it is not necessary for teams to use the car tracks, and where the crossings are not more than half as frequent as in Portland, such devices may be toler-ated, even if they do no good. But here they would be a positive menace to pedestrians, and an obstruction to business in the streets. If there shall be a fender invented that shall prove its worth as a safety device, always reliable and efficient, there will be no necessity for laws to compel the Portland street-cars to use it. But it is folly to compel the use of any of the contrivances now being experimented with in various Eastern cit-

perimented with in various Eastern cit-ies.

"It seems advisable that street-came should be equipped with inclosed vesti-bules for the motormen. Many of the cars now operated in Portland are thus equipped, and probably all soon will be, but this plan has its disadvantages. It is impossible to have such a vestibule to restreet the motorman from the weather. protect the motorman from the weather without at the same time restricting his view to a greater or less degree. This increases the danger of accident. It is not the person walking along or the team driving along the track that are run down by the cars, but those who suddenly come upon the track from the side. Anything that obstructs the view of the motorman correspondingly deprives him of power to avert accident. Still, public sentiment calls for the vestibule, and the companies

provide it.
"Probably the best that could be done
would be to require all street-cars to be
equipped with the best modern brakes.
Not all cars are now so provided. After all, improvements are constantly being made, and the companies find it to their own interest to have the best practicable devices for preventing damage to their own property, or that of others, or to their own employes or other persons. This is a mere matter of practical con-omy, and no amount of legislation will affect it."

# EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION

Freedom of the Negro.

To celebrate the 38th anniversary of the emancipation proclamation, there was a large gathering at the First A. M. E. Zion Church last evening. An interesting programme was rendered under the auspices of the Afro-American Council, No. 1. The the historical significance of the proclathe historical significance of the procla-mation, and in chronicling the progress of the negroes as a race since their freedom. On the rostrum were displayed, draped with American flags, portraits of Lincoln and Grant, to whom the colored speakers referred as the greatest benefactors of their race.

B. R. Carle presided. After the singing of "America" and the invocation by Rev. Mr. Collins, W. L. Brady, president of the Council described the work of the Council as securing for the race the greatcouncil as securing for the race the great-est possible advantages, both educational and commercial, restoring its moral pres-tige, and adding the sufferers in the Gal-veston disaster. "We need offer no apoi-ogy for present conditions," said the speaker, "and in time we shall take high rank among the other races making their mark in the world." nark in the world."

mark in the world."

Miss Jennie Logan read the emancipation proclamation, after which the address of the evening was delivered by Wallace McCamant. It was a tribute to Lincoln, and a statement of the importnce to civilization of the emancipation

The Advancement of the Negro Since

FENDERS IMPRACTICABLE

prepare himself for new responsibilities. The new possessions of the United States offer him new opportunities which he must make. In business and industry he must make his mark. We have already acquired the habits of economy, and have reduced the percentage of illiteracy & percent. We have produced over 100 books. We have \$37,00,000 in our churches; \$725,000,000 in farms and homes; \$185,000.000 in personal property. We have raised \$10,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156. Occoment to the personal property. We have raised \$100,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156. Occoment to the personal property. We have raised \$100,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156. Occoment to the personal property. We have raised \$100,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156. Occoment to the personal property. We have raised \$100,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156. Occoment to the personal property. We have raised \$100,000,000 for achool purposes. We number \$156.000.000 for achool purposes

as our white brothers."

J. N. Fullilove made some vigorous remarks on the necessity of a stronger race spirit in order to protect the rights of colored men, whenever and wherever in-fringed upon. During the programme, W. H. Carter sang "The Star-Spangled Banner," and Mrs. Dora Newman gave a soprano solo, "'Twas But a Dream, which was heartily encored. The meet-ing closed by anging the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," with benediction by Rev.

## SECURED LOWER TAXES.

Some of the members of the reform

How One Man Obtained a Promise From the County Commissioners.

associations who are endeavoring to reduce the expenses of the municipal and county governments are not as well informed concerning certain things as they ought to be, and the result has been a number of very amusing blunders.
One of these gentlemen recently waited upon the Board of County Commissioners to talk over road taxes, and he was cheer-fully accorded a hearing. He began by telling the Commissioners that he was a prominent member of the Reform League prominent member of the Reform League, and said that taxes were too high. He stated that a 5-mill tax for road purposes was excessive, and the Commissioners taxed agreed with him that a 5-mill levy was rather stiff. The reformer asked if it was not possible for the Commissioners to get along with a less levy, and said he did not think it was necessary to spend so much money on the roads. The members of the board relieved the man's mind somewhat by assuring him this there was no doubt.

During the meeting the Commissioners succeeded in keeping straight faces, and accepted their visitor's statement as a matter of course, but as soon as he had departed they broke into loud laughter as indulged in remarks one to the other succeeding. With the effective measures taken the City Physician and principles. and indulged in remarks one to the other about ignorant "damphools" who take up the time of public officials and don't know what they are talking about. The road tax has never exceeded 2 mills, and many

# EASTERN OREGON FOR CORBETT

Baker City Lawyer Says He Is the

remaining for some time longer.

It. Johns is the legal representative in Baker County of the O. R. & N. Co. and is also attorney for eight or ten of the large mining companies of that district. He is a recognized power in Republican politics, though when seen by an Oregonian reporter stated he was too busy to pay any attention to politics. When asked the position of Eastern Oregon on the Senatorial contest, Mr. Johns said he thought that the leading Republicane were for H. W. Corbett, because they recognized in him a man of character, influence and commercial power in the East that would guarantee to Oregon the greatest amount of Federal support during the next few years, which would be a crucial period in the history of the state.

The cheese factory of Carison & Co., at Fairview, has been partly moved to the new buildings that were secured aometime ago. The new buildings were not entirely ready, but were in condition so they could be used. Something over 1400 pounds of milk are used daily at the factory, but arrangements have been mide to more than double this amount in the Spring.

Enst Side Notes.

Frank Glos, a shoemaker, of 11 Bast Third street, slipped on the sidewalk yesterday, and broke his right log.

There will be a joint installation of Summer Post and Relief Corps Saturday

the state.

"This will be my first visit to California and I intend to see all there is there, ton and California are destined to be the great power of the Union in the development of our Pacific interests, and we Oregonians cannot learn too fast the best things to adopt into our business and economical methods."

While Mrs. Carmody was hanging out some clothes Monday on the Convent road on the eastern slope of Mount Tabor, a bullet from a target gun passed through her dress and buried itself in a pine box a short distance off. The bullet evidently came from a small target gun in the particularly to compare their mines and mining methods with ours. The three

Budget of Skagway News.

SEATTLE, Jan. 2.—Advices from Skag-way state that it has been definitely learned that Murray McDonaid, the young man who disappeared at White Horse early last June, had been in Skagway June 27 and purchased a ticket on the City of Seattle for this port. It is not as yet known, however, whether he made the voyage or not. Charles Hoffman, a citizen of Skagway,

fired five shots at his wife at their home in that place recently. None of the shots took effect. He is being held under \$10,000 bonds to appear before the grand jury. Pearl Griffin, also of Skagway, was seriously burned and perhaps disfigured for life while lighting a fire with coal oil on December 25.

"The Advancement of the Negro Since Emancipation" was presented by Rev. Mr. Collins. The speaker said: "The duty of the negro in the twentieth century is to Carter's Little Liver Fills.

# AFRAID OF DIPHTHERIA

HALF THE PUPILS AT CENTRAL SCHOOL STAY AWAY.

Both Buildings Have Been Fumigated and the Principal Thinks There Is No Danger Now.

Over 200 pupils, nearly half the at-Over 200 pupils, nearly half the autendance, were absent from the Central School building yesterday owing to the diphtheria scare. Professor Gregg, principal, said two-thirds of the absentees were from the primary department in the were from the primary department in the annex, and one-third from the main build-ing, but expressed the hope that the effective measures taken will relieve parents of apprehension and cause them to send their children back at once. Both buildings have been thoroughly fumi-gated and disinfected. This was done Monday, enough gas being pumped into the rooms to kill all the germs that might harbor in them. The Health Offi-cer and Plumbing Inspector also examined the buildings and found them in fair condition. In the old and large school@ouse the only means of ventilation is by low-ering the windows. Yesterday, Dr. James C. Zan, City Phy-

sician, spent the whole forenoon at the Central Schoolhouse, making a careful in-spection of all the push there. He ex-amined their throats and recommended that about 10 in all be sent home for few days, not because they were sick but because they appeared susceptible to diphtheria, and it is desired that no chances should be taken. Dr. Zan expressed the opinion that the disease is under control and that there will be no further spread. Everything had been done

board relieved the man's mind somewhat, by assuring him that there was no doubt the levy for roads would be less than 5 mills, and he departed with a smile of antisfaction, which seemed to say: "Well, I have saved the taxpayers something on roads."

During the meeting the Commissioners succeeded in keeping straight faces, and accepted their visitor's statement as a teacher in the primary department, is contracted by assuring the contracted their visitor's statement as a teacher in the primary department, is contracted by assuring him that there was no doubt the work very much. The principal is of the work very much. The principal is of the opinion that the disease was introduced into the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the work very much. The principal is of the opinion that the disease was introduced into the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils from the school is a serious matter and interfores with the work very much. The principal is of the opinion that the disease was introduced into the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the work very much. The principal is of the opinion that the outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria in the school by an outsider who mingied with the pupils while there was diphtheria.

what they are talking about. The road tax has never exceeded 2 mills, and many years has been less.

Another one of these reformers instated that the County Recorder charged in cents per folio for recording instruments. He said he had heard it down town, and was positive it was true, notwithstanding the Recorder assured him that the statute provides for a fee of 10 cents per folio and the statute was adhered to.

the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, J. Menzie; overseer, Win Croswell; lecturer, Mrs. L. H. Clark; chaplain, Mrs. McDonald; secretary, J. Donglass; treasurer, Robert McCarrol, The Charles A. Johns, one of the leading attorneys of Baker City, and Mrs. Johns, place next Saturday evening. At the night of election the Grange was enterpused through Portland yesterday, on their way to California, where they will spend a vacation, Mr. Johns returning the latter part of this month and his wife remaining for some time longer.

Left. Johns is the legal representative.

night. It will be for the members and a

few invited guests.

Wanted-A Worm-Destroyer.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 23.—(To the Ed-tor.)—Last Summer my wheat crop was almost ruined by a small worm about onefourth of an inch long, and on examina-tion a few days ago, I found them still alive and well in the old stubble.

Now, if you will allow me space, I wish to know if any reader of The Weekly Ore-gonian knows any remedy to prevent them from destroying the crops next year L. L. MATTHEWS. Would-Be Suicide May Recover. BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 1.—Edward Rice, the convicted murderer, who yesterday tempted to commit suicide by cutting throat, and who cut his windpipe in t

twice, is tonight resting easily, and the prison physician thinks he has a good chance to recover. It has not yet been

learned how Rice secured the caseknife

with which he did the deed.

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