

CAKE RE-ELECTED

Chosen President of Commercial Club.

MEMBERS MEET AT BANQUET

An Open Columbia River and the Success of the Lewis and Clark Centennial Among Topics Discussed by Speakers.

- New Officers of Commercial Club. President—H. M. Cake, re-elected. Vice-president—Colonel James Jackson...

Eloquent speeches by some of the most notable men in the city and an excellent dinner...

The banquet-room of the newly furnished club was filled with a majority of the members of the organization...

At the plate of every member and invited guests was placed a floral favor. The event was notable for the number of classes of men gathered together...

The clubmen were disappointed in the inability of ex-Governor T. T. Geer and E. M. Brannick to address the assembly...

President Cake told of the renovation of the clubrooms during the past year, and expressed thankfulness that the expenditure had been met by the organization...

Mr. Cake then spoke of the scope and object of the organization, and said: "There are discussed the great subjects before the American people today..."

The health of Governor Chamberlain was next proposed by the toastmaster, President Cake. His adherents followed this with what they called "a true Democratic howl."

Governor Chamberlain's Toast. In response to the toast Governor Chamberlain delivered his address on "The Future of Oregon."

European trade so may Portland become the same for the Orient. The bill just passed by the Legislature providing for the great Exposition will have the effect of benefiting not only Portland and all of Oregon but the entire United States...

General Beebe's Address. General Charles F. Beebe was the next speaker. As he took up his notes to read, the electric lights flickered out and the clubmen roared with laughter at the speaker's expense...

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H. M. CAKE.

That day should be celebrated and that event be annually commemorated. The event was notable for the number of classes of men gathered together...

"Any one not before imbued with a firm belief as to the great possibilities obtainable by institutions of this character, with their energy and effort projected along legitimate and proper lines, could not fail to be deeply impressed thereby in reading this speech..."

The clubmen gathered in their handsomely fitted banquet hall soon after 5 o'clock, and when all the members able to attend and the invited guests were seated a corps of dexterous waiters brought on in courses a feast that would delight a Roman epicure...

Portland, Past and Future. H. W. Scott was next introduced by President Cake. "Portland, Its Past and Future," was the subject of Mr. Scott's address...

"Seattle has admitted its dependence upon the Great Northern Railway, and that its development in the future depends upon one man—James J. Hill. Upon no one man depends the future of Portland, and we should be proud of it. We have railroads, we have hotels, and we have the finest hotel in the Northwest..."

General Beebe moved that the club earnestly protest against the removal of the banquet hall to Seattle, and declared that if they were moved they should come to Portland. This was quickly passed by a rising vote.

George W. Hazen, one of the governors of the club, then proposed a toast to The Oregonian in honor of its editor who had addressed the assembly. N. H. Alexander followed with two solos, the assembly joining in the chorus of the encore, "Please Go 'Way and Let Me Sleep."

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possible for Portland to grow without all the rest of Oregon growing at the same time. "What we want in the State of Oregon today is a little more unanimity of purpose. The bill passed by the Legislature providing for the Lewis and Clark Exposition shows that the great Fair is an Oregon and not solely a Portland proposition. The people of Oregon are willing to spend money and pay taxes that it may be a success..."

"After a ship had entered the Columbia between different cities of Oregon. It should not exist. "Portland is the metropolis of the Northwest, and I am glad of it. "The Columbia River is the natural highway, which we must improve to make a way for the commerce of the world to reach the interior..."

"In order to make the Lewis and Clark Fair a success we must take it up and push it along. Oregon stands united and will make it a success. It will advertise Oregon and the Northwest as it has never been advertised before. When we remember that the trip of Lewis and Clark saved Oregon from becoming part of the British domain, and as we stand under the Stars and Stripes today, we should work to make the Exposition the greatest event in our history..."

"Before the members of the Commercial Club left the smoky banquet hall, all joined in "Auld Lang Syne," and the ninth annual dinner of the club became a pleasant remembrance. The menu served during the evening follows: Toke Point oysters. Hot suet puddings. Sweet pickles. Celery. Salted almonds. Consomme St. Valentine. Sherry. Turban of sole. A Chamberland. Potatoes. Parisienne. Mongol croquette Perigord. Zinfandel. Punch a l'Oriental. Fillet of beef au centurion. Asparagus vinaigrette. Ice cream marionette. Cakes. Nuts. Raisins. Cheese. Fruit. Coffee. Cigars."

PERSONAL MENTION. J. A. Burleigh, a prominent citizen of Enterprise, is at the Perkins. J. P. Howe, the Seattle theatrical manager, is a guest of the Imperial. J. H. Beckley, a cattle-rancher from Edmondson, is registered at the Imperial. L. A. Long and wife are staying at the Imperial. Mr. Long is the editor and owner of the Hillsboro Argus. Rev. J. D. O'Brien, of the Holy Rosary Church, left on Tuesday evening on an extended tour through California. J. W. Virtue, a well-known mining operator, who has in the past owned some famous properties in this state, is at the Imperial. Gilbert L. King, a leading real estate man and guest of Ontario, and Hon. C. H. Brown, ex-County Judge of Malheur, are at the Imperial, in connection with the Malheur county-seat contest before the Legislature. Frank C. Barnes, confined to his house at present, but is able to sit up part of the time, and hopes to get out in a few days. He suffered a rather severe attack of grip a few days ago, but had about overcome it and was able to be out and attend to business for a few days when he met with a relapse. W. H. See, who owns the store on the Indian reservation at Warm Springs, is registered at the Imperial with his wife. Mr. See will make Portland his home in the future, but will still retain his interest in the business at Warm Springs. "There has been much illegal location of homesteads on what are known as the Agency Plains," said Mr. See last evening. "Men who do not reside on their locations and who never intend to have filed on land for speculative purposes, it is probable that if some genuine settler does not happen to jump their location their claim will eventually be allowed. But it is a detriment to the country, and should be investigated. Idle land owned by nonresidents, who do not intend to work it themselves, offers no attraction to real homesteaders."

George C. Bronson, formerly a resident of Portland and lately of Chicago, is visiting in Portland the guest of Dr. C. W. Cornelius and family. Mr. Bronson is president of the Chicago School of Opera and is a man of prominence in musical and literary circles of that city. He is also a writer of note and has added a

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL STATEMENT ON THE BANKERS LIFE ASSOCIATION OF DES MOINES, IOWA FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1902.

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. ASSETS: First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate, Bonds and Other Securities, Deposited with Missouri Insurance Department, etc. LIABILITIES: Death Claims Proven and Unpaid, Death Claims Not Proven, Trust Fund Deposit and Advance Payments, etc.

Table with columns for GUARANTEE FUND, RESERVE OR SURPLUS FUND, and INSURANCE IN FORCE. GUARANTEE FUND: (Pledged by Members for Payment of Calls). RESERVE OR SURPLUS FUND: (Pledged for Payment of Losses in Excess of 1 per cent per annum). INSURANCE IN FORCE: Death Claims Paid during the year, Guarantee Deposits Returned during the year, Total Paid to Beneficiaries Since Organization, etc.

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number of poems to American literature, notably, "A Sane Immortal." During Mr. Bronson's residence in Portland he was in the employ of the G. R. & Co., but left to study music in Berlin. He remained on the Continent four years. NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Charles T. Yerkes was a passenger on the Lucania which sailed today. He was called to London on business. NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—(Special)—L. Samuel, manager of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, with headquarters at Portland, called at the office of The Oregonian today. Mr. Samuel is in close touch with business relations of the East, and the conditions which bear directly on the prosperity of the Pacific Northwest, which is the seat of his operations. He has reached unprecedented proportions. Homesteaders also are crowding toward the Pacific Coast States.

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It helps us to keep our tailors busy during the dull season and to close out ends of bolts. It helps you to Suit and Extra Pants for the price of suit. See our window for goods and prices. Suit and Extra Pants of same or striped material for \$25

Proportionate reductions right through stock. Full dress and tuxedo suits at cost of material and making.



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Table with columns for Men's Wear Reductions and Boy's Wear Reductions. Men's Wear: \$5.85—BUYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS, WORTH UP TO \$10.00. \$8.35—BUYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS, WORTH UP TO \$15.00. \$10.85—BUYS SUITS AND OVERCOATS, WORTH UP TO \$18.00. \$1.85—BUYS SPLENDID TROUSERS, WORTH UP TO \$2.50. \$2.65—BUYS WORSTED TROUSERS, WORTH UP TO \$4.00. 45c—BUYS WHITE AND FANCY SHIRTS, WELL WORTH 50c. 37c—BUYS UNDERWEAR, BIG VALUES AT 50c. 10c—BUYS SEAMLESS WOOL HOSE AT A BARGAIN AT 20c. Boy's Wear: \$1.65—BUYS KNEE PANTS SUITS, WORTH UP TO \$2.50. \$2.35—BUYS KNEE PANTS SUITS, WORTH UP TO \$4.00. \$3.35—BUYS LONG PANTS SUITS, WORTH UP TO \$5.00. \$5.85—BUYS LONG PANTS SUITS, WORTH UP TO \$10.00. \$1.45—BUYS REEFER OVERCOATS, WORTH UP TO \$2.50. 39c—BUYS WHITE AND FANCY SHIRTS, WORTH UP TO 50c. 10c—BUYS BOYS' GOLD CAPS, ALSO SOLDIER CAPS, WORTH 25c. 19c—BUYS FULL-DOWN CAPS, ALSO FANCY CAPS, WORTH 35c.

WHAT WE ADVERTISE, WE DO Men's Hat Reductions \$2.35 For \$3.00 Hats \$1.85 For \$2.50 Hats \$1.35 For \$2.00 Hats 90c For \$1.50 Hats Boys' Knee Pants Reduct' 19c For 35c Pants 29c For 45c Pants 39c For 60c Pants 69c For \$1.00 Pants Everything Reduced Nothing Reserved Restaurant Didn't Pay. G. T. Kennedy, a restaurant-keeper, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court yesterday. His liabilities amount to \$127, consisting of 1024 claims due to Portland business houses and a note for \$250. The assets amount to \$30, and include stock, valued at \$100 and \$200 worth of household furniture.