

At the regular annual meeting of this company, held on Thursday evening of last week, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year:

President—J. M. Morrill, elected by acclamation.

First Assistant—Marx Baumgart.

Foreman of the Hose Co.—D. R. Monteth.

President—M. V. Brown, by acclamation.

Secretary—T. S. Mealy, by acclamation.

Financial Secretary—J. W. Webster, by acclamation.

Treasurer—Louis Miller, by acclamation.

A communication was received from the Board stating that C. H. Stewart had resigned his position in that body, and Daniel Rankin was elected by acclamation to fill the vacancy.

The Foreman reported that the Company had 600 feet of rubber hose in splendid condition, and 300 feet of old second class hose.

He also reported that the engine was in good working order, but that the action was getting old and weak and could not be depended upon.

The Company accepted an invitation to assist the citizens in celebrating the coming Fourth, and will appear in uniform in the procession on that day.

Sixty-eight members are now on the roll, and there are two propositions for membership before the company. Taking it all in all the reports of the officers make a very good showing.

To Pleasure Seekers.

Now, look here, readers: if you want to take a real nice trip this season to the sea-side (and of course you do), that is if this most weather ever lets up, we advise you to go over to Yaquina Bay. No where on this Coast can you have so much pleasure as over there. It costs very little to take the trip, and board at the Bay View House at Newport is cheap. And oh! what meals Mrs. Abbey does put up for her boarders! Yum! Yum! We never will forget the morning when twenty-seven poor, hungry Albanians arrived at that place from Elk City on George Stevens' railroad, and how Mr. Abbey and his wife went to meet them. They made everlasting friends out of every one in that party, and the hungry stomachs were the chap who is now showing this pencil. And, by-the-way, friends, we almost forgot to say that George Stevens has some fine boats at Newport which he lets on very reasonable terms. If you have your own team you can write over to Mr. Stevens and he will meet you at Pioneer City and take you and your traps down to Newport by boat, and you can leave your horses in pasture at Pioneer. This is about the cheapest plan, and is adopted by many. In a short time we will get the prices for live postage, etc., and publish them so that all our readers can figure up the probable cost of a trip to the Bay.

Miss Piper's Concert.

The best public entertainment which an Albany public has listened to for years was given last Friday evening by Miss Nettie Piper, assisted by her pupils and the Haffenden Brothers. The young lady's pupils, without an exception, acquitted themselves creditably, and gave evidence of the fact that Miss Piper is a masterful instructor of rare talents, and has the faculty of imparting her skill to her pupils. The young lady herself, besides being a brilliant pianist, has very few equals as a vocalist, and was warmly received every time she appeared on the stage that evening. The audience seemed to go perfectly wild, after her rendition of that beautiful old Scotch ballad—"Down the Burn, Davy Lee." The Haffenden Bros. are well known in this community and nothing we could say would add to their already established reputation as vocalists. A. Haffenden's impersonation of a female was warmly applauded. The same programme, with only a slight change, was given again on Monday night for the benefit of the Y. P. C. Association. On both evenings the audience was large, select and very appreciative.

Commencement at Corvallis.

On Sabbath, May 25th, Rev. T. J. Wilson, of Halsey, preached the Baccalaureate Sermon to a large audience at the Corvallis Agricultural College, and on the following Wednesday evening H. R. P. Bole, Associate Judge of the Supreme Court of Oregon, delivered the Annual Address. The following young men were graduated in the degrees indicated, delivering orations of which the titles are given.

Marion Elliott, B. S., of Corvallis. Oration—"Economy of Public Morals."

B. F. Soden, B. S., of Marion county. Oration—"Communism."

Ernest White, A. M., of Albany. Oration—"The World is Still Deceived by Ornament."

Dayton Elliott, A. M., of Benton county. Oration—"Philosophy: its Conditions and Value."

Business Changes.

Two changes have occurred in the harness and saddle business in this city during the past week. Johnny Dubouille has returned from Lebanon and again gone into partnership with Orrin Rubardt. They are both good practical workmen and always give satisfaction.

J. F. McCoy, who a few weeks ago bought a shop in Seio, has leased that business and come back to this city and bought an interest in the establishment owned by D. M. Thompson. This is an old established house, and already has a large trade. We hope that all parties will meet with the best of success and never have cause to regret the steps they have taken this week.

Charley Starr's Case.

Last week during the session of Circuit Court Charley Starr, the convict, was brought before Judge Harding on a writ of habeas corpus, but the Judge ordered Sheriff Dickey to take the man to the County Jail before he was discharged. Upon taking Starr down to Salem he was again thrown into the penitentiary. From several little transactions which occurred while Starr was in the jail here, we are led to believe that there was some dark lantern work practiced to get him back into the penitentiary. The reason for it we can at present only surmise.

A Mischiefing Cat.

One evening last week a saloon keeper at Jefferson discovered a hedgehog in the street near his place of business, and giving chase he ran it into a wooden box and then carried box and all in his saloon, where the strange animal has been on exhibition ever since. Very few have ever had the opportunity of seeing one of these little animals, and consequently calls at the saloon have been multitudinous.

HAMBURG FISH

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BY MISS H.

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Council Proceedings.

The City Council met in regular session last Tuesday evening with all members present with the exception of Mayor Monteth and Alderman Mason.

Committee on accounts reported favorably upon the following bills and orders were drawn on the treasury for the several amounts:

P. C. Hoyer, \$41.75 (paid) O'Brien, \$8.45

Mad. Haffenden, \$15.00 (paid) Haffenden, \$1.00

J. W. Aldwin, \$7.00 (paid) Aldwin, \$0.15

J. W. Aldwin, \$6.00 (paid) Aldwin, \$0.15

John Althouse's bill for \$9 for putting in a crosswalk on Lyon street, was referred to Committee on Accounts.

Committee on Streets submitted a report recommending the construction and repairing of different sidewalks. Received and placed on file.

The sidewalk petitioned for on the east side of Jefferson from First to Eighth streets was ordered built by August last.

The question of the proposed improvement on Washington street was referred to Committee on Streets, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

The contract for building crosswalks was let to J. W. Anderson, his bid (\$17.00) being the lowest.

The contract for furnishing gravel and dirt was awarded to F. M. Westfall, his bid being 77 cents per cubic yard for river gravel, 65 cents for pit gravel, and 25 cents for dirt.

The following bills were referred: H. J. Clarke, for building crosswalk, \$18; J. W. Watkins, salary, \$60; O. Fry, for building part of crosswalk on Lyon street, \$9; J. W. Baldwin, attorney's fees, \$5; J. A. Warner, surveying, \$25; J. W. Althouse, building part of crosswalk on Lyon, \$5.25; A. J. Hunt, building bridge across canal, \$5.10; J. W. Anderson, \$66.47; P. C. Harper, \$17.20.

Adjourned to meet, Monday, June 16th.

The Mountain Road Open.

A letter from Mr. Gilliland, the toll gate keeper on the Lebanon mountain road, informs us that that thoroughfare between this valley and Eastern Oregon is now open for travel. On the 4th inst. two horsemen—N. Williams and Nathan Turnbull—arrived at the Mountain House, having come across from Cache Creek on that day. They report about eight miles of snow, commencing near Big Lake, the deepest being about four feet. Two light wagons from this side of the mountain passed through the snow on Friday of last week, and now any vehicle can go over. The Santiam can now be forded safely, and the road is in a fair condition. Mr. Gilliland is hard at work and will have it in fine order in a few days.

Complimentary Resolution.

A short time ago the pupils of Prof. F. Lee Chauvin organized the Dickens Reading Club, and at a meeting held Wednesday evening, May 29th, passed the following resolutions expressive of their appreciation of his valuable services as a teacher of elocution and voice culture, and handed them to us for publication:

Resolved, That we most cordially recommend Prof. F. Lee Chauvin as a teacher of elocution and voice culture, and would express our belief that he would do well to pursue his valuable services.

Resolved, That the thanks of this class are due and are hereby tendered the Professor for the untiring energy displayed in his efforts to advance his pupils.

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