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NEW ELECTRIC COM'Y.

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pies, was allowed. The committee on streets and public ways and the city engineer were appointed a committee to look into the complaint about street and drain conditions at the east end of Irving avenue.

Bids on the improvement of 46th street were opened yesterday afternoon and reported to the council at the meeting, as follows: C. G. Palmberg, \$5342; Birch & Jacobson, \$4985; Leander Lebeck, \$4565. The committee on streets to whom the matter was referred brought in two reports. A majority report signed by Logan and Hanson recommended that contract be awarded while Belland, submitted a minority report recommending that the contract be not awarded as the people of that section did not want the improvement. A heated discussion followed the reading of the reports which was taken part in by nearly all the members and on the vote on the majority report it was adopted by a vote of 8 to 1 Belland voting no.

At the meeting of the City Council last night City Auditor and Police Judge Anderson, tendered his report for the quarter ending September 30, 1908. It is a very exhaustive report of figures regarding the financial condition of the city and is an able and carefully prepared document. Regarding the liabilities the report shows that the total amount of same is \$316,482.85. While the resources amount to the sum of \$148,987.42, as follows:

LIABILITIES	
Municipal warrants	\$ 75,841.89
Street repair warrants	94.79
Street warrants	46,527.95
Municipal bonds	189,050.00

RESOURCES	
Taxes outstanding	\$ 15,361.39
Real estate and Imp.	66,200.00
Street assessments	48,005.77
Cash on hand	19,420.26

Total resources \$148,987.42
Excess of liabilities 167,495.43

ANGRY MOB

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to jail, W. F. Debell, a friend of Miss Raiston, rushed at the negro and attempted to strike him. He was prevented by the officer and the crowd surged in large numbers with cries of "Lynch the nigger!" Hang him!" "Get a rope!" Others attempted to strike Martin, but Stevens, brandishing his club, held the crowd back. Other officers rushed to the rescue and were compelled to use their clubs freely.

The crowd was frantic in its endeavor to get Martin and fought with the officers indiscriminately. The negro, almost overcome by fear, covered close to his protectors.

Finally the police forced an entrance through the crowd and landed the prisoner safely in jail, but not until two or three persons in the crowd had been hurt. P. R. Sweight was struck across the forehead and with a policeman's club and a large gash laid open. H. P. Bryan, 60 years of age, a spectator, was caught in the doorway and severely crushed.

No arrests were made among the crowd, which congested the vicinity of the police station for some time afterwards. Feeling continued to run high against the negro and more demands for a lynching were heard.

Martin says he does not know why he did it.

JAPAN WILL GIVE

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the emperor of Japan. The Japanese authorities have been taking delight in thinking up new ways and means of extending hospitality to their guests, and making their stay here thoroughly enjoyable and various exceptional attractions have been planned. The entertainments and receptions will begin at

Yokohama and continue there for two days before the scene of hospitality is removed to Tokio.

At the special wish of the Emperor, Admiral Sperry is to be entertained and will reside for four days at one of the imperial palaces at the capital. The programme provides for the constant entertainment of officers and men and everything will be free.

There is to be telephonic connection between the shore and the flagship, all telegrams for the American officers will be delivered on board the ships; three special boat landings have been erected for the exclusive use of the visitors; five information bureaus will be established on shore at Yokohama; suites of rooms have been engaged by the Japanese authorities at the principal hotels in Tokio for use of the visiting officers and there is to be a special train service for both officers and men between Yokohama and Tokio.

No American in uniform will have to spend his own money for a railroad ticket and the various trolley companies have expressed their determination to carry any member of the fleet free of charge.

In addition to the official programme there is to be a vast amount of private entertainment by societies and individuals. The only American function of the week will be a garden party at the American embassy.

HUMBLED THE PRINCESS.

Fall of a Dusky Beauty From the South Sea Islands.

One night John Sharp Williams, while a student at Heidelberg, Germany, was in attendance upon a swell function at which the guest of honor was a dark skinned princess alleged to hail from one of the south sea islands. This princess was magnificently bedecked and bejeweled, and her warm olive complexion, set off by a mass of black, kinky hair, full red lips, snow white teeth and black, sparkling eyes, made her the center of the function. The masculine-like Germans swarmed about her like bees around a honeysuckle vine, and even Dutch femininity could not discount the charm of her manner or the beauty of her person.

John Sharp was introduced, of course, and immediately upon obtaining a near view of the princess (?) his southern instincts rose to the surface and his southern blood began to boil. Watching his opportunity, he managed to get to the beauty's elbow. Then, reducing his voice to a low, but perfectly audible key, he sent into her startled ears this alarming query:

"Look here, nigger, where did you come from?"

Panic stricken and with all her self possession scattered, the alleged princess turned upon her interrogator as she heard the familiar intonation of the southerner and looked into his unrelenting face. Then she stammered:

"Fum South Carolina, boss, but for de Lawd's sake don't tell it."

Whether John Sharp respected the piteous plea of a southern negress in a faraway land and permitted her to continue her bold imposition upon the credulous Germans the story does not tell. But the fact remains that the "princess" realized that she was in the presence of one who, from intimate knowledge of her race, had divined her African origin, and she could only throw herself on his mercy.—Biloxi Herald.

THE BASTILLE.

Men and Methods in the Famous Old French Prison.

The Bastille as a prison was apparently better kept and cleaner than either Bicetre or the Chatelet, and imprisonment within its walls did not, it would seem, dishonor the prisoner or his family. A great many prisoners were charged as mad, and under this elastic term the violent maniac, the ambitious madman, the young spendthrift, the megalomaniac, the searcher for the philosopher's stone or the secret of perpetual motion—all these tiresome persons might be and were included.

How, then, did these prisoners live? In the underground cells or dungeons, as in the cells in the towers, the prisoners were on bread and water, as a rule. In the other rooms in the main building three meals were served a day, with drinkable wine—"vin potable." In certain cases, according to the quality and distinction of the prisoner, he might supplement the meager furniture of his prison and get a provision of books. Very favored persons were allowed their own servant if he would consent voluntarily to undergo confinement. Voltaire began to write the "Henriade" as prisoner in the Bastille; Abbe Morellet of the Encyclopedie



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speaks of the great fortress as the cradle of his fame, but we must remember that it was perhaps not advisable to say much about the Bastille when you were still living within its walls and that, as M. Moulin has reminded us, "the old Spartans offered sacrifice to fear." Prisoners, moreover, had to sign on their release an elaborate declaration by which they swore never to divulge, directly or indirectly, anything they might have learned as prisoners concerning the Bastille.—Mrs. Frederic Harrison in Nineteenth Century.

A Feat For Blondin.

"Speaking of the straight and narrow path," said a congressman, "reminds me of a story about a man I knew in Chicago who stayed very late at a dinner at the club. When he came out he started to walk in the middle of the street.

"Hey, John," said a friend who met him as he was making the best of his way along the car tracks, "why don't you walk on the sidewalks?"

"Walk on the sidewalks?" snorted John. "Do you think I'm Blondin?"—Saturday Evening Post.

Get Tired Quick.

A farmer hired a hand from town. The first morning the new hand went to work he accompanied the farmer into the hay field. They put on a load and hauled it to the barn. By the time it was unloaded it was 9 o'clock.

"Well," said the new hand from town, "what will we do now?" "What will we do now?" roared the farmer. "Why, we'll go after another load of hay!" "In that case," said the new hand from town, "I will resign."

Pat and the Lava.

An Irishman, having returned from Italy, where he had been with his master, was asked in the kitchen, "Now, then, Pat, what is the lava I hear the master talking about?" "Only a drop of the crater," was Pat's reply.

No Advance Copies Given Out.

Gwendolen—What did Archie say when he proposed to you? Esmeralda—He won't say it until next Thursday night, and it won't be released before 12:30 a. m.—Chicago Tribune.

The wrestlers and athletes of India develop great strength by living on milk, a little goat's flesh and plenty of food made from flour.

On Terra Firma.

"What does become of all the pins?" cried Mrs. X, as she vainly sought for one on her dressing table. "I know, mamma," cried her little son, who had just begun to study Latin. "They fall to the earth and become ter-rapins."—Harper's Weekly.

Going to law is losing a cow for the sake of a cat.—Chinese Proverb.

The Glove on the Pole.

A quaint custom in an English town, Houlton, is "proclaiming the fair." The town obtained the grant of a fair from the lord of the manor so long ago as 1257, and the fair still retains some of the picturesque characteristics of by-gone days. The town crier, dressed in picturesque uniform and carrying a pole decorated with gay flowers and surmounted by a large gilt model of a gloved hand, publicly announces the opening of the fair, as follows: "Oyez! Oyez! Oyez! The fair's begun, the glove is up. No man can be arrested till the glove is taken down." Hot coins are then thrown among the children. The pole and glove remains displayed until the end of the fair.

How Hammer of Death Struck James.

The old parish church of Plumstead is probably at least 1,000 years old. The picturesque churchyard, a cherished haunt of the poet Bloomfield during his visits to Shooters Hill, contains a delightfully choice "derangement of epitaphs." One of these on "Master James Darling, aged 10," teaches a lesson of moderation during the cherry season to the youth of other places besides Plumstead. Speaking from his tombstone, Master Darling exclaims:

The hammer of death was given to me For eating the cherries off the tree. —Westminster Gazette.

Had Its Limitations.

A Scottish farmer was proudly showing a visitor an antique clock which had recently come into his possession. "Isn't that a gran' clock?" he said. "I bocht it at an auction sale in the town the ither day an' got a rale bargain."

"Yes, but does it keep good time?" the visitor asked. "Ah, weel, it's no good enough to catch a train or that sort o' thing, but good enough to get up to yer breakfast wi'."

A Budding Philologist.

Bobbie, aged five, saw a cow grazing in his mother's flower garden and shouted: "Scat! Scat!" "The cow didn't seem to be much intimidated and calmly ate on. Three-year-old Mary, dancing with excitement, exclaimed: "Tell him to 'scow.' Wobbie: tell him to 'scow!'"—Delinquent.

WORTH WAITING FOR.

Manager Hanlin of the Astoria Theatre has been successful in securing Richards & Pringle's Famous Minstrels for next Saturday matinee and night.

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The personnel of the company this season includes such well known names as Clarence Powell, Pete Woods, Happy Beauregard, Fred Simpson, William Robson, Billy King, J. W. Cooper, Alonzo Moore, Sidney Kirkpatrick, Charley Scott, Marsh Craig, Ben Johnson and a host of others. The beautiful new electric First Part, "The Meeting of the Alumni," is a radical departure in minstrelsy, acrobats and acrobats beyond anything attempted by competitors, really it is the acme of perfection. There is a big singing and dancing

act, "Plantation Pastimes," in which the full strength of the company appear. Cooper and his wooden headed family keep the audience in roars of laughter. Clarence Powell, the corpulent comedian, who talks about his family, has several new ones for you to think over. Moor, a Hindu importation, has an act the like of which you have never seen before. Craig is as big a mystery as ever, and the beautiful and screamingly funny musical burlesque, "When the Troop Struck Town," is along entirely new lines. The parade will occur at noon.