

SPERMEN'S TROUBLES.

Rain had been falling for several days, the streets were full of slush and deep, soft mud, and everything was slippery and nasty to handle on the morning of the electric plant fire, and the firemen one and all had very unpleasant duties to perform. When the east side hose cart was run out with its load of hose it got stuck fast in the mud and the boys unreeling about 500 feet of the hose and packed it on their shoulders by stringing themselves out at intervals of about 25 feet. They made the coupling and put out the fire. The west side boys had a much lighter cart and managed to pull it through the mud, but in doing so ran right past the hydrant and on to the fire and then discovered they had no water, so they abandoned their cart and assisted in putting out the fire as best they could. All had a tough time and many ruined much of their clothing, but such is the life of the fire lad.

'49 DRAMA ELECTION NIGHT.

By request of many of our people the members of the home talent company have been prevailed upon to give again the excellent little drama of the days of '49. They have selected the day of election, Tuesday night next, November 6th, at the Opera House. Several surprises and new features will be added and in addition the election returns will be given between the acts posted on the drop curtain so that all may enjoy the entertainment and at the same time keep informed of the very latest news as it is received by wire. This idea is an excellent one and will readily commend itself to all, as next to a good show the one thing most to be desired on election night is the knowledge of how the day has gone. All this can be had in comfort and pleasure for the small sum of 15, 25 and 35 cents. Tickets on sale at Coppernoll's, the jeweler.

KILLED A BEAR.

Henry Landess last week killed near Glenwood a large black bear and brought to town a quantity of the meat to treat his friends with. Some of the parties to whom it was given have a prejudice against bear meat and so they were told that it was deer meat. In several cases it was nicely roasted and the ones who did not like bear meat eat heartily of it and pronounced it fine. Game of all kinds have been quite plentiful this fall all about here, one or two deer having been killed right on the edge of town.

Y. W. C. T. U. SOCIAL.

On Saturday evening this week the Y. W. C. T. U. will hold a social at the new reading rooms, and the admittance fee will be a book or some present to adorn their shelves. All who are interested in the elevation and building up of the moral atmosphere of this community should attend this social and by their presence and co-operation assist the young ladies in every way in their most laudable endeavors for the general good.

LORANE ITEMS.

Mr Harris from Silk creek visited his daughter and family over Sunday.

John Simpson who has been at the Blue river mines for some time is visiting relatives for a few days.

Mr and Mrs McKee, from Yoncolla visited their daughter Mrs C M Cowan for a week.

Messrs. Applegate, McKee and Cowan have been down to the Sinslaw falls for a week hunting. They returned with quite a lot of game.

Mrs. Etta Adams and little daughter from Bothell, Wash., are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs John Simpson, Sr.

Charles Gettys and George Knowles of the Sweepstake are in town from Bohemia.

John Wigers and W. H. White who came down from Bohemia several days since have been having some assays made of the ore in their claims. The Gettysburg shows an assay of \$136 to the ton, while the Eugene goes \$106. They have run over 70 feet of tunnels this last season and have crossed the ledge on the Gettysburg, which is 26 feet wide from wall to wall. These claims are on Adams mountain near Martin's Springs.

EARLY MORNING FIRE

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT CONSUMED BY THE FIERY FIEND.

The Plant Nearly an Entire Loss. Both the Dynamos Destroyed, the Engine Ruined and Notwithstanding the Boiler Escaped.

On Tuesday morning about 6 o'clock the people of Cottage Grove were startled by the ringing of the fire bell and the shrill cry of fire! fire! fire!! In an amazing short space of time almost the entire population were out on the streets and rushing wildly to the scene of the blaze. It was found that the Electric Light Plant owned by A. Nelson and situated on the west bank of the Coast Fork at the north end of town, was in flames and the fiery tongues of red heat were shooting into the heavens one hundred feet high and could be seen all over the valley.

The wildest excitement prevailed and many men rushed through the mud and slush of the streets in an endeavor to render any timely assistance they could. The hose was carried with great difficulty to the corner of Wall and River streets, where the nearest hydrant was to be found. As soon as connections could be made about 400 feet of hose was laid to the burning building. Owing to some difficulty in finding the fire plug wrench to turn on the water the flames had nearly devoured the building before the stream of water was finally turned on. However it was just in time to save the private residence of Mr. Nelson, which adjoins the plant, for the heat had got so intense that in a very few minutes more the building would have been at the mercy of the flames. It was so apparent for a time that the residence would become a prey to the fire that most of the household belongings were moved out upon the street to a point of safety.

The plant was closed down about 10 o'clock at night as has been usual and the fires drawn and everything put in shape for safety, and it is a mystery as to how the fire started some four hours after the building had been closed up. When the fire was first discovered it had gained the most headway in the east end and seemed to have originated there, at the end the boiler is located. Many surmises are advanced as to the probable cause which led up to the fire, but it is doubtful if the immediate cause will ever be known.

On the plant was an insurance of \$1400 and the loss of Mr. Nelson cannot be ascertained until after the appraisal is made by the writers of the policy he holds. The burning of this enterprise will cause a great deal of inconvenience to the patrons of the electric light, and for some time to come they will have to go back to the burning of oil lamps. The rainy season seems to have set in for keeps and the roads will continue to be more cut up, so as to make the hauling of lumber for rebuilding a more serious matter as the days go by, and the people who have depended on the electric current for light must now provide some other beacon flame or prepare for a season of gloom.

It is much to be regretted that this loss to Mr. Nelson has come and he has the sympathy of the community in his hour of trouble, and it is earnestly to be hoped that he will put forth every effort to re-establish himself with a first class lighting plant in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards from Lancaster were visiting last week with their daughter and grand daughter Mrs. J. D. Matney and Miss Lela Hardy.

Godfrey's Vandeville Company appeared last night at the Opera House in their play of "Knight of the Circus." Will appear on Saturday evening at the same hall in an entire change of program. Prices 15 and 25 cents. Go and see them.

All About You.

Dr. Hullinger, Dentist. Wm. Preston of Eugene visited in this city Wednesday. W. H. Abrams and wife are visiting their daughter Mrs. C. J. Howard. F. J. Hard, the well-known mining man, was in town from Portland this week.

Read the "ad" on next page of W. H. Smith and when you are hungry go and see him. Uncle Joe Garoutte and wife have returned from a three week's visit to relatives in Idaho.

Frank Osburn of the Eugene Loan & Savings bank was looking after business in Cottage Grove Wednesday.

Next Tuesday the W. C. T. U. will hold their regular meeting at the new reading room at 3 o'clock p. m.

The '49 drama on election night at the Opera House. Go to see it. You will enjoy it.

W. H. Beagle has leased his butcher business to Frank Garoutte, who will conduct the same in the future.

Joe Cole and the Pitcher boys pulled their freight for the Bohemia hills yesterday with all their teams could haul.

Attention is called to the double-column "ad" of P. Frank & Son on this page. Read it and look up the firm when you go to Eugene.

Henry Landess has been in town from Bohemia for several days to visit with the old folks at home, and has now gone back to the hills for the winter.

B. T. Scott, general manager for the Pacific Coast of the Washington Life Insurance Company, was in town this week looking after business for his company.

A lecture by Rev. C. M. Brvan will be given at the M. E. Church on Sunday at 2 p.m. for men only. All are invited to this lecture and it promises to be of great benefit to all who attend.

Tickets for the '49 drama can be had at Coppernolls, the jeweler, for 15, 25 and 35 cents.

P. J. Jennings came down from Portland this week and went into Bohemia. He was accompanied by gentlemen from New York who have come to look over that rich mining field.

John Holland was the early bird that discovered the fire. He was on his way to the butcher shop, smelled the smoke and scented out the blaze and aroused the people in the neighborhood.

Ves Veatch has sold the last of his band of Angoras. For the last 14 numbers he got \$6.50 each and for 8 weathers he received \$3.50 each. This is the best price that has been realized from the sale of goats in a long time.

Winters Wallace, while leading the fire ladders into the burning electric plant, caught hold of a heated iron pipe and had his left hand severely burned. The injury will very much inconvenience him for some time to come.

P. J. Jennings and I. Bingham have bonded the Champion mine and recently have sent in a large supply of provisions and tools for development work on that property. It is intended to put a force of men at work on the mine and continue its opening up during the winter.

Big surprises and new features at the '49 drama on Tuesday night. Don't miss it for it is all right.

J. W. Bentley, the high-class boot and shoe maker on Main street, is doing a good business and getting good prices for his work and is an earnest supporter of McKinley for the continuance of good times. He is not doing much loud talking, but he is on the right track just the same.

Clint Montgomery was one of the first men to be attracted by the electric plant fire. He made a run for the hose house and began ringing the fire bell and as soon as the first assistance arrived he, with others, got the hose cart in motion. Clint just ruined a suit of clothes in his efforts to reach the fire.

In Brief.

Dr. Hullinger, Dentist. Call at H. C. Madsen's for fine jewelry. For hand loaded shells call on Griffin and Veatch Co. All work warranted one year. "Cop" the jeweler.

Get your dirty suits cleaned at the Eugene Steam Dyeing and Cleaning Works. Geo. E. Griffith, local agent. Clippings for sale at the Cottage Grove Cigar Factory.

50 Pcs. Men's and Boy's Boots at cost for spot cash at Eakin & Bristow. Suits! Suits!! Tailor made suits!!! Up to date in every respect, from \$15 up. Call and see samples. GEO. BOHLMAN.

Dr. A. J. Hullinger, Graduate Dentist. Permanently located. Griffin-Veatch Co. carry the finest line of Ammunition in South Lane Co. "Cop" the jeweler buys gold and silver at market prices.

For quality and cheapness in fresh meats go to the Central meat market.

To the boy or girl who brings us on January 1st 1901 the greatest number of our soap wrappers with our advertisement thereon will be given one of those "cow clocks" shown in our window. EAKIN & BRISTOW.

Geo. Bohlmann, the up-to-date tailor, will show you goods, all shades and all prices. Think of it. A tailor made suit for \$9 and up! Pants \$4 and up.

Fresh candies every day, made from pure sugar at the Tailor shop. Caps for Boys and Girls at 15c each. Eakin & Bristow.

Dr. A. J. Hullinger, Dentist. Latest things in non-breakable plates—Gold Crowns and Bridges. Permanently located.

For first-class watch repairing go to H. C. Madsen.

Beware of air dried or half dry flooring, ceiling and rustic. The Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., are making special prices on kiln-dried lumber.

Go to Geo. Bohlmann's tailor shop Main street and see his fall lines of samples and goods. He can please you in any style or line you may desire.

Emblem buttons and pins at "Cop" the jeweler, M. W. A., W. of W., K. O. T. M., K. of P., I. O. O. F., and Masonic.

Don't run around with dirty clothes when you can get them cleaned for a song at the Eugene Steam Dyeing and Cleaning Works. Inquire of Geo. E. Griffith, the barber.

See the fine display of millinery at the parlors of Mrs. J. S. Medley. John Stoneburg's barbershop and baths. Also a fine line of cigars, tobacco, confections, etc. Try him

We have on hand a large stock of kiln-dried flooring, ceiling and rustic in grades 1 2 and 3. Let us make you special prices. BOOTH-KELLY LUMBER CO.

Golden Rule selling out. Boots, Shoes, Rubbers at cost. Groceries at reduced prices. W. F. SCHULLER.

R. S. Smith was out for three days this week making repairs to the telephone line. On Sunday he found five breaks and put them in perfect order. Rob is an old-time telegraph operator and line man from the Sound country and is right at home when he taps the wire.

10 PER CENT DISCOUNT SALE!

We contemplate a change in business and will give you a 10 per cent discount on the following goods that are strictly up-to-date. Do not forget that our prices are based on Cash Sales, and when you get 10 per cent discount from these prices you get values not found anywhere else.

THIS CUT REPRESENTS ONLY ONE OF THE MANY STYLES WHICH WE CAN SUPPLY OF THE Crouse & Brandegee FINE CLOTHING. CLOTHING, HATS, OVERCOATS, JACKETS AND CAPES, MACKINTOSHES, MEN'S RUBBER BOOTS, WOOL BLANKETS, SHIRT WAISTS AT COST.




On goods that we sell you at TEN PER CENT DISCOUNT we will not give premium tickets, but on all other goods tickets will be given as before. We have a very fine line of DECORATED HAND-PAINTED CHINAWARE which we give away. P. FRANK & SON, Eugene, Oregon.

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The Eugene Steam Dyeing and Cleaning Works guarantees fast color on gents suits. They come out looking like new. Geo. E. Griffith, local agent.

To secure a good tight floor or ceiling and one that will always remain so use Kiln-dried lumber. The Booth-Kelly Lumber Co. at Saginaw kiln-dry all interior finish and rustic and are offering special bargains in same.

We sell good goods at good prices for our customers, Central Meat Market. A car load of Columbia River cedar shingles for sale by Jenkins & Lawson.