

telephone companies there was too much annoyance to subscribers because of crossing of wires and other electrical complications.

The matter was left in the above condition pending acceptance by the company on the terms prescribed.

A new set of rules for governing the action of the council were adopted. An acceptance of the terms of the franchise granted to Mr. Hughes was ordered read and recorded in the ordinance book.

Appointment of G. W. Lenneville as deputy marshal was approved.

Atty. Huston, of Hillsboro, who has had the Hartrampf warrant case in hand for some time, was ordered to proceed to collect the same of the Hartrampf estate.

Discussion of the case of Watson vs city of Forest Grove resulted in ordering the case appealed to the circuit court and a warrant was ordered drawn to L. C. Walker, recorder, for \$8.00 to defray the expenses of the appeal.

Some feeling was expressed at the manner in which the county court interfered in the city's affairs as an unwarranted abuse of discretion on the part of the county court.

The Royal Fire Extinguisher which did such quick work on the bonfire in the church square about three weeks ago was shown to the council. It developed that the cost of the extinguisher was \$15.00, that a charge lasts three and one-half minutes at a cost of about twelve cents a charge.

It seems to meet with approval but the councilmen not being expert along that line, referred the matter to the fire chief to investigate and report at the next meeting.

Adjourned.

Ancient Bald Heads.

A discovery in the land of the pharaohs will interest those whose heads time has ravaged. A French Egyptologist has recently unearthed a papyrus giving a recipe for what must in those times have been a royal remedy against baldness, since it was concocted for no less a personage than King Chata, the second sovereign of the first dynasty, about 4000 B. C. The remedy was employed by the king's mother. It consisted of a salve of dogs' paws, dates and asses' hoofs pounded up and then boiled in oil. With this salve the royal head was anointed. As to the result the papyrus is regrettably silent.

Shabby, but Noble.

Not long ago John Burns, M. P., was seen by a Battersea elector walking arm in arm with a shabbily dressed man, whom the Battersea resident took to be a tramp. Drawing Burns aside, he said to him: "Look 'ere, John, dee-mocracy's all very fine, but don't you reckonize what's doo to your position as a member of the 'ouse? Fancy walkin' about harm in harm in broad daylight with a workin'man." "S-sh," whispered Burns. "That's the Duke of Norfolk." And it was

A Poet's Wardrobe.

Gabriele d'Annunzio, the well known Italian writer, has in his wardrobe, according to a Neapolitan journalist, seventy-two nightdresses, twelve dozen pairs of colored socks, some of cotton and others of silk; forty-eight pairs of gloves for the street and twenty-four pairs for evening dress, eight light blue parasols and ten green umbrellas, twenty dozen pocket handkerchiefs, 150 neckties, ten vests, fourteen pairs of shoes, four or five dozen pairs of soft and noiseless slippers and a large number of hats, smoking jackets, evening dress coats, silk dressing gowns and other garments.

There is only one other man in Italy, it is said, who has such a large and costly wardrobe, and that is Mascagni.

A Snail's Story.

I live in a little round house. I have no window, but I have a door.

This morning some one knocked on the top of my house. I think it more polite to knock on the door.

I heard a little girl sing: "Snail, snail, come out of your hole, Or I will burn you as black as a coal."

I did not come out. I waited until she went away. Then I took a short walk.

I took my house with me. I feel safer to have my house with me. Something may harm me if I come out of my house.

I have very good eyes. They are at the ends of my long horns.

My eyes are not pretty, but they are useful.—Jones' Second Reader.

A Leaf For a Tent.

What trees bear the largest leaves? An English botanist tells us that it is those that belong to the palm family. First must be mentioned the inaja palm, of the banks of the Amazon, the leaves of which are no less than fifty feet in length by ten to twelve in width. Certain leaves of the Ceylon palm attain a length of twenty feet and the remarkable width of sixteen. The natives use them for making tents. Afterward comes the coconut palm, the usual length of whose leaves is about thirty feet. The umbrella magnolia of Ceylon bears leaves that are so large that a single one may sometimes serve as a shelter for fifteen or twenty persons.

The Decline of Pie.

A writer in Harper's Weekly laments the passing of the American pie habit as it flourished a generation ago. Americans, he thinks, eat other foods than pie now. Patent breakfast foods compete audaciously with pie for the supremacy of the breakfast table. Pie does not advertise, and a food that does not advertise cannot expect to maintain its tyranny over the digestive apparatus of a nation of readers. Pie is no longer the champion of the food list. "But what seems especially remarkable about it is the lack of individuality about the pie of commerce. The lunch room keeper recognizes only two kinds of pie—good pie and spoiled pie. Consumers must be equally indiscriminating. In the age when pie was king it was not so. Then there were pies and pies."

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