

COMMITTEE FILES REPORT

City Council Receives Estimate on Valuation of Water System.

The committee appointed by the City Council to examine the Bandon Water Company's books and report an estimate of the value of the same, handed in the following report, at the last council meeting, which is self explanatory:

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Bandon, Bandon, Oregon. Gentlemen:—

Pursuant to instructions by your honorable body, we, your committee to audit the books of the Bandon Water Company for the purpose of determining the net income of the water system of the Bandon Light & Water Company (whereof the said Bandon Water Company are lessees) for the year immediately preceding March 1, 1913, respectfully report as follows:

We have carefully examined and compared all the several books of account of said Bandon Water Company containing records of receipts and expenditures and find as follows:

Gross receipts, \$224.27.

Total expense account as shown on said Bandon Water Company's books, \$960.25.

Items of expense charged to extension (construction work) but properly belonging to maintenance, \$260.65.

Salaries charged to extension (construction work) which should properly be charged to expense \$875.00.

Taxes for 1912 not entered on book of said Bandon Water Company which we estimate at same figure as 1911 taxes, 106.69.

Interest on balance of \$12,000 indebtedness, (first lien on plant) properly and overheard charge, from March 1, 1912 to March 1, 1913 \$473.10.

Interest on \$2500 indebtedness (also lien on plant as shown by records.) \$37.88

Net earnings \$5507.70

On the basis of the above figures and in conformity with contract of March 12, 1898 between Town of Bandon, party of the first part therein and Elbert Dyer of Bandon, Coos County, Oregon, the party of the second part, the value of said water system is hereby assessed at a sum of money on which the annual interest at 8 per cent will equal the net sum of \$507.70. The purchasing clause of said contract provides that the said town shall have the privilege of purchasing the same at a reasonable value thereof.

Your committee is of the opinion after carefully considering all the facts relating to the physical condition of said water system, that the said purchasing clause in said contract should be construed as a whole, and that a reasonable deduction for probable depreciation and the replacements which are imminent, should be made from the above net income.

We respectfully call your attention to the following pertinent facts in connection with the subject of this report based upon common experience with such project as the subject hereof, to-wit:

The items of maintenance cost for the past year total an exceedingly low figure whereas, the items of extension (construction work) in proportion to the increase of services are excessive.

The records of expenditures as shown by the Bandon Water Company's books are not sufficiently itemized to make it possible to segregate the small items of labor and material cost therefrom which upon a system the size of the Bandon Water System, must aggregate a considerable sum which should reasonably be charged to maintenance expense. In the absence of sufficient records, your committee

is unable to offer any recommendations fixing the amount of a reasonable deduction for imminent maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,
F. M. Hall-Lewis
John Nielson.
Committee on Audit.

The Crooked Path.

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Waste Wood to Be Used Now.

Coos Bay will shortly be furnishing a considerable portion of the stove wood used in Oakland and San Francisco, according to present plans of General Manager Smeaton.

In order to supply the wood, it will be necessary to put in another small mill to cut the slab wood and refuse into cordwood and stove wood lengths for shipment. In addition to the slab wood from the mill, it is understood that plans are being made to utilize the large amount of small wood in the various logging camps, pieces too small to be rafted to the mill for lumber purposes, but which will make excellent fire wood.

In addition to the profit in the getting of rid of the waste wood, it is said that it is figured out that the Nann Smith and Adeline Smith can load a large amount of the stove wood and cord wood each trip in addition to their regular lumber carrying capacity, stowing it otherwise in waste space on the ships so that the cost of carrying it will be practically nothing.

At San Francisco and Oakland, it is said that there is a big demand for the wood at \$10 or so per cord.

This plan with the utilizing of much waste in the new pulp mill will affect a big saving and in fact make money out of what has hitherto been waste in the sawmill business, a waste that has been expensive and difficult to get rid of.

With the coming of the railroad, it is likely that a large amount of the sawdust waste from the mill will also be utilized by supplying it to refrigerator plants and packing houses.—Coos Bay Times.

Returns With Body.

W. A. Doak returned on the Breakwater with the body of his son Charles Doak who died at Seattle, of Measles, Mrs. Doak and the other children came overland.

Mr. and Mrs. Doak are well known here and will have the sincere sympathy of many friends.

Why He Was Late.

"What made you so late?"

"I met Smithson."

"Well, that is no reason why you should be an hour late getting home to supper."

"I know, but I asked him how he was feeling, and he insisted on telling me about his stomach trouble."

"Did you tell him to take Chamberlain's Tablets?"

"Sure, that is what he needs."

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BOOM AT PORT ORFORD

Many New Houses Under Construction in Curry Co. Town.

There is every indication that Port Orford will make a good showing in the way of building and improvement during the next few months. B. W. Dean is just completing a contract for clearing the two lots owned by Mr. Quellen, and joining the residence of Mr. Fromm, and we understand Mr. Quellen will erect a neat and substantial building on the same. Mr. Larsen is now engaged in preparations for erecting a residence on his property which will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. Mr. Stone is preparing his lot in "Barntown" for a new residence, which he will erect as soon as possible, and Mr. Barrett is getting lumber on his property, with which to build a home. Mr. George Sutton has had his lot, adjoining his mother's residence all spaded up, leveled and sowed to grass, which looks as if he meant business, but we are not authorized to say that he will have a cage ready for the near future. Besides the foregoing, there are rumors of numerous other improvements for the summer.—Port Orford Tribune.

A German Fairy Tale.

As the cobbler stepped into his shop his scold of a wife started to lecture him unmercifully for coming in late. "Be quiet, Zenobia," said he affably. "Today I have had a great stroke of luck. Coming home, I met a fairy who had lost her way. I put her on the right track, and out of gratitude she presented me with this pair of slippers. Whoever puts on the left one becomes invisible. Then if you put on the right one you reappear. You will see that this present is very valuable, because we will be able to make lots of money with it."

Zenobia became still and stood over him with curiosity in front of her husband.

"Come," said he; "let us try it once."

She slipped on the left slipper and positively in the same instant vanished away.

"It is really true!" said the cobbler, astonished. "She is gone!"

Then he took the right slipper, went out of the house and threw it in the deepest well.—Flegende Blätter.

Munich Royalty Is Modest.

As far as meeting royalty is concerned, Munich is a great contrast to Berlin. It is impossible to stay long in the Prussian capital without having one's path stopped or impeded by the passing of some prince of the royal house or, at all events, by the cohorts of police who safeguard them. One may stay for months in Munich without seeing more than a royal carriage driving past almost unnoticed except for the raising of hats. The popularity of the Wittelsbachs is genuine, and every Munich takes a lively interest in the ways and doings of the members of the royal house. The tragic history of the Wittelsbachs in recent times is perhaps the reason why the personalities of the present generation seem somewhat effaced. They at all events take care not to stand in the limelight.—Manchester Guardian.

Thunder In Various Regions.

Java is said to be the region of the globe where it thunders oftenest, having thunderstorms ninety-seven days in the year. After it are Sumatra, with eighty-six days; Hindustan, with fifty-six; Borneo, with fifty-four; the Gold Coast, with fifty-two; and Rio de Janeiro, with fifty-one. In Europe Italy occupies the first place, with thirty-eight days of thunder, while France and southern Russia have sixteen days. Great Britain and Switzerland have each seven days, and Norway has four. Thunder is rare at Cairo, being heard only three days in the year, and extremely rare in northern Turkey and the polar regions.

Rising to the Burden.

"An acre of ground that now supports two people will have to support a thousand in days to come."

"Well, it can probably do it," asserted Mr. Womiat. "I used to barely support myself. Now I support a wife, four children, a mother-in-law and two of my wife's brothers, and I don't seem to feel the strain very much more."—Kansas City Journal.

In Perplexity.

"Joshab," exclaimed the anxious mother, "I wish you'd come here!"

"What's the trouble?"

"I don't know whether Gwendolyn is having a spasm or practicing one of these new dances."—Washington Star.

ABDULLAH

By SADIE OLCOTT

The people of India, passing their lives without the methods at hand European races have for development upward, are prone to develop downward. What I mean is that their minds are forced into unwholesome channels. In these channels they become very expert. The Indian fakir will do tricks that to us are inexplicable. In the matter of poisons it is doubtful if Italians in the days of the Borgias knew a tithe that is known in India. Snake charmers, too, are plentiful, and one cannot pass along a street without seeing them seated cross legged doing tricks with the reptiles. It is astonishing what vipers may be taught.

Captain Oldershaw of the Seventy-second regiment of the line was stationed with his regiment in India. The captain considered himself so much better than the dusky natives of India that he considered they had no rights he was bound to respect. He had a servant, Abdullah, a sad faced, unobtrusive creature, whom he treated as a slave. In India white persons usually have many servants, each menial for a different purpose.

One day Captain Oldershaw missed some money that he kept in a drawer of a desk. He was much disgruntled at his loss, for he had nothing but his pay and was obliged to make that go as far as possible. The first man he met after the theft was Abdullah, and, as was to be expected, he vented his wrath upon him. Having accused his servant and the servant having denied the charge, the next step was to take the law in his hands by trying, convicting and punishing the culprit himself. He tied Abdullah up by the thumbs with his own hand and sat beside him, drinking brandy and soda and smoking till Abdullah finally confessed the theft and was taken down.

But since the Indian hadn't stolen the money he hadn't it to return. So the captain magnanimously permitted him to work it out. Abdullah meekly consented to this and was even more faithful to his master than before.

One day a brother officer dined with Captain Oldershaw and saw Abdullah. "What are you doing with that fellow in your employ?" asked the guest of Oldershaw.

"He is my bootblack," replied Oldershaw.

"He has been a snake charmer. I saw him perform one day on the street and was so struck with what he had taught his snakes that I have not forgotten him."

"What did he teach them?"

"To charm a bird, then crush it by coiling about it."

"Upon my word! You don't mean it?"

"Yes, I do. I wouldn't have the fellow about me for a dukedom."

Oldershaw seemed a bit put out by the information and resolved that when Abdullah had worked out the money he had confessed to having stolen he should be sent away. But Abdullah's wages were very small, and the sum was sizable, so a good deal of time was required in the matter.

One evening a very pretty Indian girl came to the captain's quarters and asked to see him. He received her and sat chatting with her for some time. When she was about to depart she asked if the captain would give her a kiss. He did so and would have repeated the act, but the girl did not seem to care for another kiss and left him. She was scarcely gone when he began to feel strange and in a few minutes sank unconscious on the floor.

It happened that the surgeon of the regiment came in at the time and found Oldershaw being picked up by his servants. When he asked them what the captain had been doing to bring on an attack they informed him of the visit of the Indian girl and the kiss.

"Great heavens!" exclaimed the doctor. "He has been kissed by a poison girl!"

An Indian poison girl is one who, taking a little of a certain poison every day, increasing the dose, at length becomes immune to its effects, but is herself deadly. The surgeon, having served in India many years, knew the antidote and, having arrived in the nick of time, saved the captain's life.

Oldershaw was in a quandary. He suspected that some one having a grudge against him had sent the poison girl to him. Possibly some one of his own servants might have done so. He thought of Abdullah and what he had heard of him, remembering having tortured him. But Abdullah had never seemed so devoted to him as recently. Still, the captain had begun to distrust him, and, since the money lost by the theft was almost paid, he resolved that as soon as he received the last rupee he would part with Abdullah.

Finally Abdullah worked off the amount and Oldershaw told him to get out. The Indian meekly assented. He would go that night.

After dinner the captain stretched himself on a bamboo couch to smoke and fell asleep. Abdullah stealthily approached, took a snake from under his clothing and started it toward the slumbering officer. Reaching him, the viper began to coil itself around the captain's neck when Oldershaw awoke with a cry, seized it and threw it away. But he had been bitten by the deadly cobra, and there was no help for him. Abdullah's second attempt was successful.



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