

AUSTIN IS MARSHAL.

Recount of Votes by Council Changes the Result.

It will be remembered that at the recent city election there was supposed to be a tie on the vote for marshal, Austin and Canavan each receiving 99, which was to have been decided by lot at the meeting of the council Saturday evening. Instead, the candidates interested agreed to have a recount, each, of course, hoping that there had been some mistake and that the new count would land him a winner. Messrs. Manning and Hallock were appointed special clerks to again go over the ballots and cast up the result. George Baker gained one vote over the previous count, giving him 98; Canavan's vote remained unchanged at 99, and Austin gained one, making his vote 100 and himself marshal. So it stood 98, 99, 100—entirely too close for comfort. It must make one feel like he had been playing poker for eighteen hours and quit the game even.

The council passed a resolution changing the name of High street to Pine.

The city attorney made a verbal report on the matter of the Sumpter Valley railroad appropriating a public street, which was to the effect that little progress has yet been made, owing to the fact that an abstract of title has not yet been secured.

The committee on fire and water reported that a decision had been reached to build hose houses on the school house lot and next to the city hall, which was approved and the buildings ordered erected.

The committee to which was referred the matter of investigating the condition of the water ditch which runs through town, was given another week in which to make its report.

NO SMALLPOX IN SUMPTER.

Resident Physicians Make a Signed Statement to This Effect.

The attention of THE MINER having been called to the fact that in Portland and perhaps other places, nearer neighbors, the report is being circulated that a smallpox epidemic is raging in Sumpter, a representative of this paper called on the resident physicians and learned that there is not now, nor has there been, a case in the camp or district. Some one is telling the story in Portland that there are sixty cases here. The following signed statement explains itself:

SUMPTER, Ore., Dec. 17, 1899. We the undersigned practicing physicians of Sumpter, Baker County, Oregon, hereby certify that there is not at this date, neither has there been to our knowledge within the past year, a case of smallpox within the corporate limits of the town of Sumpter, or in any of the surrounding camps tributary to the same.

L. F. BROCK,
J. J. FISHER,
E. M. ANDERSON,
C. M. PEARCE.

Democrats, Attention.

All persons residing in Sumpter or vicinity who believe in Jeffersonian principles, are respectfully invited to attend a meeting to be held in Ellis Opera house on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, December 29, for the purpose of organizing a democratic club.

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