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WAS IT INCENDIARY?

A Sunday Night Conflagration in the Patton Block.

IT ORIGINATED IN THE CELLAR.

And Did Much Damage to the Drug Store of H. W. Cox.

Those who were passing along State street at 10:30 last night saw volumes of smoke issuing from the grating in front of H. W. Cox's drug store in the Patton block. The cry of fire was made and the alarm bell cried the news from its harsh throat. The smoke grew denser and denser, until by the time the firemen arrived with hose the blinding smoke and stifling heat poured from every crack and crevice leading to the cellar beneath the Cox drug store.

THE STREAM ON.

As the fire was in the southeast corner of the cellar there was no draught and in consequence the fire smoldered in its confinement among the dry tinder, straw, and boxes of the cellar. Without difficulty the rear cellar way was broken open and a nozzle turned in that direction. At the east side cellar door an opening was made and a stream was turned on, but the heat was so great, the smoke so dense and the fumes so suffocating that the hose was managed with difficulty.

REACHING THE FLAMES.

It was several minutes before the exact location of the flames could be determined, as each opening gave additional suction and the smoke rushed out with blinding force. A hole was chopped through the floor of the store room and a hose inserted. The struggle for supremacy between the fire and the water was great. But five powerful streams were pouring into the cellar and were conquering the blaze.

LEAPING HIGH.

In the meantime the hungry flames had leaped up through the inside stairway in the southeast corner of the building and were licking up the oils and taking a strong hold among the combustible doors, boxes, partitions and cases. For a time the building inside appeared a

VAST SEA OF FLAME.

In the vicinity of the prescription case all was aflame, while the little ware room behind it was wrapped in flame. From the street in front the scene was alarming and it looked as though the building could not be saved. Just as onlookers had given up all hope of saving the block

A SHOUT OF VICTORY.

went up from the rear of the building. Here with crowbars and axes the men were trying to break open the iron fire doors, now heated red hot. They had succeeded. Tearing out the double frame doors inside, two streams of water were upon the flames which were subdued and the building saved. The stock was badly damaged.

DAMAGES AND INSURANCE.

Viewed by the light of day the stock, which invoices \$6000, is found to be almost a total loss. It was insured for \$4500, equally divided in the Home Mutual and Royal companies. Adjusters will arrive in the city this evening, it is expected, and will assess the damages.

HOW IT ORIGINATED.

Indications would bear out the belief held by a very large number that the fire was of incendiary origin. It would have been an easy matter for a man to raise the rear cellar door, enter the cellar and kindle a fire among the inflammable materials in the cellar. This opinion is held by Mr. Cox, owner of the drug store, Ed. McAfee, prescription clerk, and T. M. Patton, owner of the block. Mr. McAfee closed the store at about ten o'clock, at which time all was well. In less than half an hour the alarm was given. Many persons are slow to think the fire was the work of an incendiary. They attribute it to spontaneous combustion, the deadly cigar stump or rats and matches.

SOME ACCIDENTS.

Several firemen sustained injuries more or less serious. Jay Phillips was struck on the arm by an axe and has a most painful wound. A. J. Basey, while trying to push the front door open was struck on the wrist by a piece of falling plate glass. It cut his wrist badly. Jap Minto has a mashed hand, the marble soda fountain having fallen on it with considerable force.

Taking up Homesteads.

Several of the party of Pennsylvania excursionists that accompanied the Oregon land company's agent to the land of big red apples have taken homestead claims upon the Santiam. They are now there improving their claims and making preparation to become full fledged citizens of Oregon.

To-Night
 Goodyear, Cook & Dillon Minstrels will appear for the first time before a Salem audience. They number twenty-six first-class artists and are en route for San Francisco. They comprise the best known artists in the profession. The singing of the first part comprises solos by Messrs. Harry Green, C. Daly, tenors; Wm. Follard, basso profundo, and the wonderful silver-throat male soprano, Ellsworth Cook, who easily reaches high C. The club swinging of Ben Mowett to-day stands as it always has, simply marvelous. Geo. H. Edwards and Chas. Goodyear are the funniest of comedians that make you laugh continuously. The clog dancing of Messrs. Leach, Welby, Pearl and Dillon Bros., is a neat piece of work, as is also their song and dance. The Nicholas brothers premier acrobats in their brother act never fail to catch the audience. The whole concludes with a most laughable afterpiece that pleases all. The Eastern press says there is nothing coarse or suggestive, so the most fastidious lady can attend. Everybody will be pleased with to-night's entertainment.

The Elocutionary Entertainment.
 Recitals and impersonations. Program for Tuesday, April 23rd, at the opera house:

ORCHESTRA.
 A true story.....Elizabeth Stuart Phelps
 Miss Hinds.
 Kathryn's visit to New York (Impersonation)
 Arranged for Miss Hinds.
 Piano duet—Qui-Va-La.....Jackson
 Misses Edith Hughes and Lulu Hirsch
 Selections from Dr. Sevier.....Geo. W. Cable
 Miss Hinds.
 Female canvasser.....(Impersonation)
 Arranged for Miss Hinds.
 Vocal solo, Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark
 Miss Hattie Parrish.
 "Mad Mag".....(Impersonation)
 Miss Hinds.
PART II.
 Instrumental duet.....Selection
 Messrs. Keller and Chase.
 The Portrait.....Oliver Meredith
 Miss Hinds.
 Medley.....Arranged for Miss Hinds.
 Piano solo, Polacca.....Brilliant.....Weber
 Miss Jessie Dairymple.
 Vocal solo, The Magic Song.....Reinhold.
 Miss Hattie Parrish.
 Impersonation of the W. Talmage.....
 Miss Hinds.
 Tickets 50 cents. Reserved seats at Patton's. No extra charge. Entertainment will commence at 8 o'clock.

The Stayton Bridge.

The county courts of the counties of Linn and Marion were in consultation at Stayton regarding the construction of a bridge across the Santiam at that place. The decision was that the bridge may be built this season. The Jefferson structure will be treated later on, perhaps next year. The courts believe they cannot afford to build the two bridges in one year. An estimate will be made as to the cost of the bridge at Stayton and the commissioners of each county will advertise for bids.

Supreme Court.

Thos. Caulfield, resp. vs. W. E. Clark app.; appeal from Polk county; judgment of the lower court modified; opinion by Lord, J.
 J. G. Myers resp. vs. John Knikaid, app.; appeal from Benton county; judgment of the court below reversed; opinion by Lord, J.
 W. N. Wallace, resp. vs. W. A. Seoggin, app.; appeal from Multnomah county; judgment of the lower court affirmed; opinion by Strahan, J.
 Jno. Sisenmore, app. vs. Mary S. Sisenmore, resp.; app. from Jackson county; argued and submitted.

A Petty Thief.

A neighborhood in North Salem is suffering the depredations of a petty thief. He waits until he is sure no one is at home and then enters the house he seeks to pillage. His thievery is that of small articles such as handkerchieves, silver table ware, and small sums of money. Yesterday afternoon he slipped into a house and took a \$5 bill out of a pocket book, leaving the book and papers it contained. It is thought to be the work of a boy.

Death of Dick Thomas.

News comes of the death of Richard Thomas, well known in Salem. He died Sunday evening at Oakland, Or. He has many friends throughout Oregon, having been connected for many years with hotels.

That Remonstrance.

At Dallas the commissioners are busily engaged in canvassing both petition for and remonstrance against the building of a new court house. It is thought a decision will be arrived at before another day.

Notary Public.

The governor has appointed the following notaries public for the state of Oregon: C. F. Rupel, Baker City; A. Bernstein, Portland; M. Hoshbrouck, Tillamook; and John M. Creis, Portland.

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PURELY PERSONAL.

—Rev. J. Muehlaupt went to Seio to-day.
 —A. Steiner went to Portland this morning.
 —S. Porter of Aumsville was in the city yesterday.
 —A. Radir and wife of Corvallis spent Sunday in the city.
 —Rev. A. B. Brown returned from Albany this evening.
 —Judge Strahan of Albany arrived in the city this morning.
 —C. Cheval of Woodburn was a visitor in the city last evening.
 —L. Kuhn returned last evening from a business trip to Portland.
 —Judge Thayer and wife of Portland arrived in the city at noon.
 —Mr. and Mrs. Jay Smith took this morning's train for Portland.
 —A. Hamburger of Portland is in the city, on mercantile business, to-day.
 —Misses Maud and Ida Smith, now of Dallas, spent Sunday in the city.
 —C. W. Fulton of Astoria, late presidential elector for Oregon, is in the city.
 —J. H. Howell returned from a three day's trip to Stayton this morning.
 —W. T. Radir of Yaquina City was in Salem yesterday and returned home to-day.
 —Ex-Gov. Moody and son Ralph arrived in the city from the south this evening.
 —S. Friedman went to Junction at noon to act as auctioneer at the sale there to-day.
 —John Riggs of Portland was in the city yesterday and returned home this morning.
 —Mrs. Thompson, daughter of Mrs. W. H. Byars, returned from Roseburg this morning.
 —Miss Hines, the talented elocutionist, will be the guest of Mrs. Werner Breymann while in the city.
 —Smith F. Turner, manager of Goodyear, Cook & Dillon's Minstrel company, made this office a pleasant call, this evening.
 —Capt. Lovell and Napoleon Davis returned to Portland this morning to be examined in the Crawford case.
 —Alex Holman and Wm. Manning returned to Portland this morning. They are serving on the United States grand jury.
 —Prof. Krumbein was called to Portland this afternoon on account of the illness of his daughter. He will return Wednesday.
 —Miss Cosgrove of Portland returned home this morning after a visit of a several days with her sister, Mrs. D. F. Wagner.
 —Mrs. F. Bartells and Mrs. H. Everdale of Portland, who have been visiting with Mrs. E. M. Waite, took their departure for home this morning.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

—For your Paints, Oils, etc., go to Gilbert & Patterson's, d-tf
 —Painless dental operations at Dr. T. C. Smith's, 92 State street.
 —Sheriff Croisan is confined to the house with a malarial attack.
 —Uncle Charley Claggett is quite ill at his home on Commercial street.
 —The minstrels arrived from Portland at noon. The company is very large.
 —Next Tuesday the bells will ring in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Washington's inauguration.
 —Friday will be the seventieth anniversary of Odd Fellowship. Albany will celebrate by an excursion on the O. P.
 —Mr. Thorp, who formerly resided at Salem, but is now at Stayton, is lying very low and is not expected to live longer than a day or so.
 —If you want to get one of the best livery bargains in the state, and four of the nicest lots in North Salem, call on Duncan & Booth.

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Street Car Line

to it is in course of construction and will soon be in operation direct to the center of the addition. This addition is high and slightly overlooking the city and having a beautiful view of the Cascade Mountains. It is only a short distance from the Fair Ground Station, with which it will be connected by the street car line. Just north of the addition is

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