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FAREWELL RECEPTION.—About
thirty young people of the Univer-
sity gave Prof. Gardner a very pleas-
ant surprise and farewell reception
at the residence of Dr. and Mrs.
Bradshaw, on Ferry and Cottage
streets, last night. Prof. Gardner
takes his leave on the overland train
tonight for his home in Iowa. He
will be accompanied by his father
and brother, who came to Salem a
week or so ago on a visit. They go
by way of California and stop a
short time in Denver. Prof. Gar-
dner expects to cross the Atlantic
sometime before fall. His last even-
ing in Salem was a very pleasant
one and one to be long remembered,
not only by him, but by all the
young people who were present at
his farewell reception. Though he
has been in Salem a little more than
a year, he has a circle of warm
friends, especially at the University
where his labors have been in in-
structing the junior class in law.

The evening was spent in games,
studies, literary exercises, and so-
cial conversation. C. H. Spalding,
of the senior law class, made a fare-
well address to their professor; in a
few well chosen words. Prof. Gar-
dner responded in a very pleasant
manner. The following are the
names of those present: Miss Carrie
Bradshaw, Miss Edna Adams, Miss
Eva Bruce, Miss Stella Judkins,
Miss Ollie Rounds, Miss Myrtle
Marsh, Miss Jennie Wade, Miss Re-
becca Balder, Miss May Harris,
Miss Ira Eastman, Miss Florence
Smith, Miss Cora Adams. Prof.
Gardner, Mr. O. N. Nelson, Mr. H.
Rounds, Mr. C. H. Spalding, Mr. J.
F. Albright, Mr. G. G. Spalding, Mr.
D. H. Glass, Mr. H. Thurlow, Mr.
C. G. Pence, Mr. O. A. White, Mr.
F. L. Moore, Mr. O. C. Brown, Mr.
C. F. Kaiser, Mr. F. M. Gardner.

NEW SALEM FIRM.—The pioneer
store, thence, plumbing and hard-
ware business of J. W. Crawford has
been sold by that gentleman to two
energetic young Oregonians who
will conduct it in the future under
the firm name of Barr & Petzel.

Mr. Barr is a practical tinner and
conducted a tin and stove business
at Independence in company with
Mr. Petzel, but of late ran it alone.
Mr. Petzel is a plumber of consid-
erable experience, member of the firm
of Petzel & Bernadi, Salem. These
young men have bought the entire
Crawford stock, tools, and supplies,
one of the best in the city. They
will remove temporarily from pres-
ent quarters next door to the Ladd
& Bush bank; a new store just one
door south of the present location
being fitted up for them. When all
settled they will have as fine an es-
tablishment as there is in the city,
and both being practical workmen
and business men, will with prudent
management build up a strong firm.

THE HIGHEST YET.—The Will-
amette river to-day registered the
highest it has at any time this year.
It is yet quite within its banks
and will probably be confined to
those limits all the spring. At Al-
bany the river was reported as being
seventeen feet above low water mark,
while at this city it was a few inches
less than twelve feet this morning
and was slowly rising. The snow
on the low waters of the river is
causing the rise here. The Santiam
and Luckiamute are within their
banks.

DEAD FROM THE INJURIES.—A
news reached this city this morning
that Louis Caruthers, the man who
was mangled by the Albany local
train at Canby a few days ago, died
on Sunday at 3:40 yesterday afternoon.

He was not the station agent at that
place but was a brother-in-law to the
agent. He was also a relative, by
marriage to John Knight, of this
city. He was a man about 35 years
old and lived in Albany.

A GROWING ENTERPRISE.—At
the meeting of the Salem Building
and Loan Association last night
some \$100,000 was taken in and
\$100,000 was paid out in dividends
and interest to the members.

The association is doing a large business and is in a
very prosperous condition. After
the eight of next month there will
be a premium on the new shares
which were recently opened.

THE SCHOOL MEETING.

A Five Mill Tax Levied for
Next Year.TWO NEW BUILDINGS.
Reports of School Clerk and
Directors.—The Schools in
an Excellent Condition.

A large number attended the
school meeting at the opera house
last night, including several ladies
and the substantial taxpayers of the
district. Chairman F. R. Smith
called the meeting to order at eight
o'clock. The reports of the school
clerk and the board of directors were
read. The reports contain some
valuable information and good
recommendations, and on the advice
of these the citizens decided to have
two new buildings erected the coming
summer, one in South Salem and
one in East Salem, out toward the
penitentiary. The directors were
instructed to purchase the necessary
ground in suitable localities and
have the buildings erected at an
expense of \$22,000. The amount
was at first placed at \$18,000, but
when it was decided to have the
South Salem building a duplicate of
that in North Salem it was thought
best to raise the amount in order to
allow more for the East Salem
school.

It was voted that the reports of
the clerk and directors be published
in the newspapers previous to the
next annual school meeting, in order
that the taxpayers could have an
opportunity to see what was needed
before they went to the meeting. It
was first moved that the reports be
printed in pamphlet form, but Dr.
Rowland recommended that the
newspapers have that benefit as
they have been doing that work
gratuitously. His recommendations
were adopted.

After some discussion as to how
much the tax levy should be, it was
finally decided to make the whole
levy five mills, including the one
and one-half mills in the report of
the school directors.

The motion prevailed that all bills
for furnishing materials which
amounted to \$50 or more, should be
in open competition and bids be
received for the same. Below are
given the reports of the clerk and
directors.

SCHOOL CLERK'S REPORT.
To the board of directors, patrons,
and taxpayers of district No. 24,
Marion county, Ore.:
I respectfully submit the following
report as clerk of said district for the
year ending March 2, 1891.

STATISTICS.
From a census of the district just
completed, I find the number of
voters in this district to be—2089
No. of persons between the ages of
4 and 20—2745
Males—1345
Females—1400

The assessment of 1890 shows tax-
able property in the district to be
\$2,263,315; the levy of 5 mills pro-
ducing \$11,316.57; delinquent list re-
turned to sheriff, \$3,641.85; total tax
collected, \$8,896.38.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

RECEIPTS.

Amount received from former clerk	1,597 20
Amount received for rent of school building	96 00
Taxes received from county treasurer, school fund	8,463 24
Received for tuition	175 00
Delinquent taxes received from county clerk for 1889	400 00
Received from county treasurer, state school fund	3,022 10
Received of Hutton & Wandt, sale of old iron	54 83
Received of J. H. Albert, sale of school bonds	13,000 00
Received of Wm. Kaiser, sale of old North school house	130 00
Received from sale of one small stove	2 50
Amount of district taxes collected by me	8,896 37
Total receipts	\$38,377 84

DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers' Warrants	\$ 10,893 75
Janitors	894 00
Water	103 00
Insurance	704 40
Interest on bonds	1,280 00
Warrants for taxes over-paid	14 88
Wood warrants	815 05
Warrants for rent, hall for school election	40 00
Improvements and painting	1,473 19
Incidentals and supplies	3,300 00
Stationary, blanks and printing	630 66
Building	10,622 53
Architect	3,500 00
Heating apparatus	603 48
Severage and drains	625 93
Clerk's salary	900 00
Total disbursements	\$34,322 52
Balance on hand	1,455 32
W. R. SARGENT, Clerk School District No. 24.	

REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the taxpayers of school district No. 24, Marion county, Ore.:
The undersigned, directors of said district, would report that the schools in the district are in a healthy and flourishing condition. The attendance has largely increased, four new teachers having been added to the working force. In our visits to the schools we have been pleased to note the systems and the good order preserved and especially the interest taken by all the teachers in their work. Much of the success of the schools we feel is due to the efficient labors and good judgment of the superintendent, Mrs. S. E. Grubbs, whose monthly reports have not only been promptly rendered, but models of neatness and correctness.

And while on this subject, of efficiency of the employees of the district, we would not forget the prompt attendance at all meetings of the board of the clerk of the district, W. R. Sargent, to whom we have been indebted for many favors and much valuable assistance in the performance of our duties for the past year.

EXPENSES.

Teachers' salaries, for full year	\$11,288 00
Janitors	1,014 00
Water	804 00
Stationary, blanks and printing	617 23
Clerk	900 00
Insurance (secured for 3 years)	591 00

Heating and ventilating	\$2,500 00
Severage (tilling, incidentals and supplies)	432 05
Repairs, improvements and painting	246 35

NORTH SCHOOL.

Contract of Z. Craven	\$10,500 00
Extra work of Z. Craven	117 75
Heating and ventilating	1,000 00
Severage (tilling and incidentals)	91 15
Architect and surveyor	513 00
Repairs (old buildings), blackboards, improvements and supplies (new)	679 35
Desks (new buildings)	850 00

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Incidentals and supplies	\$ 15 25
Repairs, improvements and painting	31 35

CENTRAL.

Severage, incidentals, etc	\$49 28
Repairs, etc	249 09
Architect's fees (new building)	95 00
Election expenses	30 00

\$38,035 05

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1891.

Teachers' salaries, including four new teachers	\$13,250 00
Janitors	1,400 00
Water	900 00
Stationary, etc	120 00
School apparatus	200 00
Incidentals	500 00
Clerk	900 00
Interest on bonds	2,160 00
Rent of room for directors and clerk	125 00
Total	\$20,161 00

INCOME FOR 1891.

From state and county funds	\$13,500 00
Tax (11 mills)	3,850 00
From amount on hand in del. tax and cash	4,000 00
Estimates for buildings and repairs	20,895 00
Total	\$22,245 00

Completion of North Salem school and furnishing.

Contracting and painting East school	\$ 3,500 00
Changing water closets East school	1,800 00
Severage for North Salem building	3,000 00
Repairs on Central and South buildings	250 00
Total	\$8,550 00

The estimates for 8-room building 4 rooms finished, teachers, etc., is as follows:

Building, 4 rooms finished and furnished	\$13,500 00
Four teachers	2,100 00
Janitor	540 00
Water	290 00
Supplies and incidentals	500 00
Total	\$16,930 00

For four-room building, one story and basement, as follows:

Building, completed and furnished	\$ 9,500 00
Four teachers	2,100 00
Janitor	540 00
Water	290 00
Supplies, etc	500 00
Total	\$12,930 00

DRAINAGE.

At the last annual meeting of the district the directors were instructed to have the basement of the East Salem school cemented. The last report of the directors, however, declared that, "during the late storm, East Salem School was flooded so that it interrupted the school for about two weeks;" on examination we found that no provision had ever been made for the drainage of the basement of East Salem school. To cement it without provision of this kind would, in our opinion, be a foolish waste of public money, while in no manner would it prevent a repetition of the same trouble and embarrassment. We, therefore, concluded to thoroughly tile the basement floor, leading the tiles into a trap at the northwest corner, and to drain this by terra cotta pipe placed under the foundation of the building, leading it on a sufficient decline to drain all the water from the basement. By survey we obtained a fall of thirteen feet, and today, February 26, 1891, the floor of the basement of the East Salem school is free even from dampness. It can now be cemented, and a solid and substantial improvement made.

In completing the North Salem school, a similar course was pursued, but a fall of only about three feet obtained, sufficient, however, to insure a thorough drainage of the basement. When a sewer from this school to the river is constructed, much better results can be obtained for this building.

SEWERAGE.

The building of the North Salem school, and its largely increased and increasing attendance will necessitate the construction of a sewer for said building to the river. The cost of this we have estimated at \$20,000. Many persons along the line are anxious to connect with it, and to pay their share for its construction. We have talked of various plans by which it could be paid in the course of two or three years without cost to the district except such portion as would naturally and justly be assumed against it, but as it was a matter of the district would first have to consider, no definite action has been taken by us, and we desire some positive instruction on the features of our report.

INCREASED ATTENDANCE.

The number of scholars in actual

attendance in the public schools last year, taking out the transferred pupils, was 1078. Number in actual attendance this year (over and above the transferred pupils) at the end of the first term, was 1229. Increase in five months, 250 pupils. The gain since the close of the first term we have not obtained, but we have information sufficient to warrant the assertion that there are a large number of pupils in the district who have not been in attendance at the schools.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

At the commencement of our term of office we were compelled to put in order and open the Central school, with two rooms and shortly after the Little Central with one room, in order to relieve the pressure at East Salem building. All the rooms in this building are again crowded, and some steps must be taken to add further and permanent relief. From the records we have learned that from Trade street, following that street to the railroad, and north to State street, up State to the power house district, from south of these lines there are at present attending East Salem school 130 pupils, and taking those not in attendance on any school, there would be not less than 120 pupils—enough for a 3-room building, and a 4-room in less than one year. Whether, to relieve East Salem, a school building should be erected in Capital park, Yew park, or at any other point in that section of the district, remains for the voters to determine. The people of South Salem feel that they are entitled to a new school building, and we are confident that a properly constructed and comfortable one in that quarter would largely increase the attendance. If a new building is constructed in South Salem, we recommend that a more slightly location be secured either by purchase or the exchange of the block now owned by the district on the most advantageous terms to the district. We have obtained estimates, and find that a 4-room building, one story with basement, modeled like the North school, can be built for \$6,700. Duplicate of North building \$10,500, with furniture, sewerage, fixtures, etc., added.

THE NORTH BUILDING.

According to instructions we have erected a new 8-room building in North Salem, with money procured by sale of bonds ordered by the district. Without wishing to speak in our own praise or to detract from the labors or judgment of other directors, we are free to say that no better school building, for the money expended, can be found in Oregon, and it affords us pleasure to know that so far as we have been able to ascertain of public sentiment it is one of unreserved approval. No better lighted or convenient school rooms can be found anywhere. The heating and ventilation are equally good and the structure has no expensive part exposed to the elements to add expenses year after year for repair, besides being built for a sum which precludes the possibility of any wasteful expenditure of money in the district. The cost of the building with the furniture, etc., so far as, is round numbers, \$13,500. It will require about \$3400 to finish the four rooms on the second floor and to add the furniture. If another school is to be erected this year, we recommend that the district be bonded for the amount necessary for that purpose.

We desire here to remark that a deficiency of \$1,494 27 from the last year has been paid by us from the funds coming into our hands this year. Respectfully submitted,

F. R. Smith,
E. M. Waite,
A. E. Strang,
Directors.

QUIET.—Things are quiet at Jas. Denham & Co's for the first time in eight months. As a result their are offering the most extraordinary prices in shoes ever known in Salem.

Who?—When the question is asked who keeps the best line of furnishing goods and men's clothing, the general response is, the Salem Woolen Mill store.

For a short time, only, will the Court street jeweler sell alarm clocks at the low price of \$1.45 under 12 months guarantee. 2 26 1/2

Wonderful Results

Results often follow the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Several cases of scurvy, upon which other preparations have been powerless, yield to the peculiar curative powers of this medicine. Distressing cases of dyspepsia, excruciating complaints of the kidneys and liver, agonizing itches and pains of salt rheum, disagreeable eruptions of catarrh, and aches and pains of rheumatism, are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. It purifies the blood, and at the same time tones the stomach, creates an appetite, and gives strength to every function of the body. Give it a trial.

General Debility

For four years ago with suffering from large tumor located on the glands under the arms, and general debility of the whole system. She became so poor in health that we were on the verge of despair regarding her recovery. Physicians did not seem to understand her case: at 22 events she never derived any benefit from their treatment. She finally concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. The immediate effect was so marked and satisfactory that she continued to take it, and this is the result she has gained in weight.

From \$4 to \$11 Pounds

is stronger and in better health than she has been for years. The tumor under her arm has disappeared, and we believe Hood's Sarsaparilla will be soon sought for by thousands. J. J. Macdonald, 25 Commercial Street, Boston, Mass.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by Dr. J. H. Smith, prepared by C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar

CIRCUIT COURT.

The N. S. Todd Case Taking the Attention of the Court—Hawkins' Fine Fifty Dollars.

The case in which N. S. Todd, of Woodburn, is charged with forging the will of E. S. Quimby, has been in the court since noon yesterday. The lawyers will probably conclude their arguments this afternoon and the case be submitted to the following jury tonight: John Holm, John Craig, Geo. Bressler, A. H. Wilson, Wm. Holcomb, F. J. Fagan, C. W. Cherrington, F. A. Bingham, E. L. Briggs, J. C. Baker, Geo. Zinn, S. P. Farrens.

The litigation involves about \$1000 and the expense of the trial will amount to fully that before it is over. Yesterday afternoon was given to taking the testimony of experts, among them were W. M. Ladd, cashier of Ladd & Tilton's; Portland, John Moir, cashier of First National, Salem; J. H. Albert, cashier Capital National, Salem, and A. N. Bush, cashier of Ladd & Bush's bank, Salem. The testimony of these witnesses was not favorable to Mr. Todd. The witnesses today have been more in his favor, some testifying that they saw the old gentleman sign the will.

POST-OFFICE BUSINESS.—Though February was a short month there was a decided increase of business done in the Salem postoffice. Registered letters delivered, 74; other letters, 13,984; postal cards, 1715; newspapers, 11,332. Local letters: letters collected, 603; mail letters, 12, 845; local postal cards, 149; mail postal cards 504; newspapers 1061. Total number of papers handled 42,267; postage on local matter, \$91.05.

Boneless pigs feet—Sroat & Gile's

NEVER MARRY.—Why tie to an undesirable young man below par, when you can get such desirable goods below par at Holverson's?

Field and garden seeds of all kinds in bulk and packages at Clark's, 100 State street.

FOR SCHOOL CLERK.—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for School Clerk for District No. 24.

W. S. BOGGS.

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Headache, yet CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cure

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