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THOMAS JEFFERSON.

EDITORIAL REVIEW.

On Monday night Salem turned out the most substantial assemblage that has ever gathered in this city in the interest of public education. The main interest centered in the report of Messes. Pearce, Gatch and Hugher, the findings of which were discussed and acted upon by the citizens present, all but two being adopted and those two being the most important.

The committee deserves a vote of thanks for the fearless and impartial manner in which it performed a disagreeable task, one upon which the gentlemen spent considerable labor and really worked hard to present unselfish views, though its general tone the community will not approve of. For instance, the fundamental misconception on which the whole report is founded is embodied in these words of the committee:

"The first vital stand taken by all this committee is that the public schools are, in no essential, a charity; but strictly a business proposition, based on the principle that no community can afford to allow children to grow up without the essential education required to make them good and useful citizens.

"It has also been agreed that the well-to-do can, and generally do, provide education to their offspring, and that the very primary principle on which the public school system is founded, is that the benefits of the public purse should go principally to children, who, from adverse conditions, would not be able to gain a proper education.

Whoever penned that last paragraph has totally misconceived the situation. If there were no public school system the "well-to-do" would "provide education, to their offspring" and "the benefits of the public purse" would go "principally" to the children of those not "well-to-do." The "well-to-do" would educate their children and those not "well-to-do" would be educated at charity schools or grow up in ignorance. Out of such a system would grow the social distinctions and the caste systems on which the aristocracies of Europe are founded.

No one can realize, who lives under the blessings of a free school system, how completely the public schools are the foundation of our Democratic institutions, where the children of all citizens meet upon terms of perfect equality and are rated upon their ability mentally and morally, and not upon any accident of birth or social condition. To give the child of the poorest of the outcast and the unfortunate, even the orphan, the open door of opportunity for expansion of the mind, to step into a higher plane of life, as Tennyson says:

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and if left to this type of friends of the schools they would not only use up the $2,500 for paint but run deficits for as much more, so long as they and their proteges had the job. That is mossbackism with a vengeance—favoring extravagance so long as the pull lasts.

The board of education will no doubt hold the paint job down to the lowest limit, put on paint only where it is absolutely needed under the present financial condition of the district, have some of the interiors of the school rooms, not the hallways, tinted so as to be less hurtful to the children's eyes, save as much of the $2,500 as possible, have the work done at the school system. While much in the report of the committee will be approved, the paragraph quoted will not be indorsed. The public schools are not a charity.

That socalled taxpayers whowill advocate a $2,500 tax levy to paint school houses and at the same time propose to abolish the Ninth grade of the public schools is an anomaly to say the least. Such persons can see no wrong in spreading on $2,500 in paint whether it is needed or not, vote the money before there has been any inquiry as to whether the paint is required or not, actual price of labor, and buy the material in open market of the lowest bidder.

The State Treasurer announces that he is out of funds and for some time warrants will be issued to draw interest at six per cent. The management of the state treasury is not conducted upon any sound principles, by no means the fault of the treasurer. The evils of the system will not be remedied until a great disaster and public loss has overtaken the state. The barn door is never locked until the horse is stolen. A state that by its legislature will, for a flimsy pretext, fail to provide for a few score orphan children, will some day pay the penalty by a loss of a quarter or a half million of public funds. Moral obtusness begets a shortsight and blindness that finally comes dear.

WOODBURN SCHOOL ELECTION.

A Victory Claimed On the Charter Issue.

WOODBURN, March 7.—The annual school election at Woodburn was the most exciting one in Woodburn history. Over 500 people gathered in Remington's hall, over half of whom were spectators. The line of contest was drawn on the Woodburn charter question, now a subject of vital interest to the voters and taxpayers of this city. Friends of the new charter nominated Hon. J. H. Settlemier. The opposition named Chas. Scott, of the Woodburn Milling Co. The result was a complete victory for the Settlemier forces, Vote was as follows: J. H. Settlemier, 87; Chas. Scott, 62. Alfred Austin was elected clerk. The new school law was generally carefully observed and is regarded as a fair measure and a protection to bona fide voters at general school elections.

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What Is the Verdict.

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Annual School Meeting

The annual meeting of the taxpayers of school district No. 24, will be held Monday evening, March 6, at at the city hall at 8 o'clock p. m. A good turnout is desired.

W. H. BYRD, Chairman.
3-4 2t M. E. POGUE, Clerk.

To cure La Grippe, keep warm, especially the feet, and take Dr. Miles' Nervine.

SCHOOL MEETING

Salem City Superintendent and Highland School Abolished.

Proposition to Cut Off the Ninth Grade Voted Down—Salem Takes No Steps Backwards.

There was an unusual attendance of prominent citizens at the school meeting on Monday night the wealthy and influential women and men of the district were there.

There were a number of ladies out at the school meeting at the city hall, Monday night, and the interest was greater than ordinary. About three hundred were present.

By 8 o'clock the crowd had so swelled that chairs had to be brought up from below. Clerk Pogue read the annual report, which has been published in this paper. The report shows these items of interest:

Assets for next year, $24,364.59.
Total receipts, $39,314.34.
Floating debt, $19,555.86.
Total interest, $3,411.46.

The clerk's report was eulogistic of the value of the work of the Ninth grade added during the past year. The report showed that a six mill levy would leave a surplus of about $2,000 after paying all expenses.

Total school population, 2,660.
Total enrolled, 1,756.
Teachers employed, 44.
Nearly all hold life diplomas. Fifteen hold state diplomas.
Total value of school aparatus, furniture, etc., $12,000.
Average male salaries $69.
Average female salaries $49.
Paid teachers wages, $17,925.
Paid janitors wages, $1,730.50.

The directors reports and clerks report were read and received and ordered placed on file.

THE SPECIAL REPORT.

The committee appointed at the former meeting to report on increasing the efficiency of the schools and improving the finances of the district. Here are some of the points that were made. The public schools are not a charity but a business institution. The wealthy would provide education for their children. The public schools were for the poorer.

Assessment values have declimed 44 per cent Geo Hughes read the report and a summary of the reports, and stated that all three (John Hughes, Claud Gatch and Geo. Pearce) had embodied their ideas fully, no one agreeing to all, but all agreeing on the main ideas.

The floating debt was very unfortunate. It should be paid off without increasing expenses as they would show. The report favored the retaining of the eight grades, and eliminating the ninth grade added a few years ago. The eight grades took the pupil to the academy course. The ninth grade was unwise, because the district had not the buildings and aparatus to carry on a high school course. The district could not do this work well. To pay $10 for first year teachers and $50 the second year was wrong. The report deplored the injection of politics into the management of the schools. The report showed a great deal of labor on the part of the committee. Four years and a half were given to the study of a second arithmetic, when it could be mastered in from six to twelve months.

So with reading and spelling. The number of pupils was forty to the teacher. The course should be simplified and the work covered in half the time.

On city superintendent the report recommended combining the principal and city superintendent in the East school and each principal have authority in governing his school. This was applauded. The report favored abolition of the Higoland school. The report was applauded.

John Bayne moved the the adoption of the report.

D. C. Sherman moved to amend by striking out the proposition to abolish the ninth grade. He argued that the saving from doing away with it would be only a saving of only $495. In comes of laborers and business and professional men had been reduced the past five years, out not the salaries of teachers. He favored reducing salaries a little by cutting down the grades to eight.

Chatrman Byrd ruled that the suggestions be taken up seriatim.

Eugene Willis moved to adopt the suggestion to abolish the ninth grade. He admitted that the resources of the business men of the district had been cut down. He argued that it was wrong to tax people for higher education.

W. S. Mott argued in favor of teaching all the nine grades in eight and saving the expense of one grade.

Superintendent Peebles explained that the studies of the ninth grade required two terms to complete and embraced Algebra, physical geography and rhetoric, with a review of history, advanced grammar and all the higher branches.

State Superintendent Ackerman was present and was invited to speak. He showed that the eighth grade sent a child out of school at fourteen. Should these children be sent upon the street? Some would be given higher education, some would be set at work, but many will be turned out into careers of idleness at the most critical time of his life. Higher grades tended to increase attendance in those attending the lower grades. He favored sending boys and girls to school until sixteen.

L. D. Henry would risk being called a $2.50 taxpayer, and that he had no children to educate. He said if we would go ahead and instead of abolishing the Ninth grade, would put in a Tenth grade and even a high school, it would add a thousand population in one year. If we went back a grade we would lose that many.

J. M. Wallace said he was a little something of a taxpayer. He said $40 and $50 a month for teachers at Salem was a disgrace to the city. We should kick at paying 39 mills taxes, but not six mills school taxes.

Director Bruce refuted the statement that there was not room at present for a Ninth grade. There were vacant rooms in the schools—two in Yew Park, two in Lincoln school and one in the Park school.

The suggestion to abolish the Ninth grade was voted down emphatically.

The next suggestion, to condense the eight years' course into six years, was also voted down.

The third suggestion, to abolish the city superintendent, was carried with applause.

The suggestion to abolish the polytechnic school caused a great deal of discussion. Mr Presnell spoke for it as did D. C. Sherman. He referred to the East school as having enough glumcracks on top of it to pay for good sewage underneath it, but didn't have it. Geo. Hughes opposed the polytechnic school. The suggestion was adopted.

Authority to sell the old South Salem school block was granted, the delinquent taxes were ordered paid, and a resolution was adopted to put the eighth and ninth grade work into all the four of the large schools. Then the meeting adjourned.

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FIRST MONTHLY REPORT

Filed by City Recorder N. J Judah of Business in His Office.

City Recorder Judah has set a good pace as a reform officer by preparing and submitting an itemized report of the transactions of his department, which will be submitted to the council each month.

The following is his report, which will be submitted to the regular meeting of the council this evening:

IN RECORDER'S COURT.

City vs. A. Pettyjohn, drunkenness, fined $5, paid.

City vs. James Williams, drunk and disorderly, committed, 5 days.

City vs. George Wilson, drunkenness, sentenced 5 days, (suspended).

City vs. James Woods, drunk and vagrancy, sentenced 5 days, (suspended).

City vs. James Woods, vagrancy, sentenced 10 days. Committed.

City vs. John Clark, vagrancy, sentenced 10 days. Committed.

City vs. Frank Gillis, vagrancy, sentenced 10 days. Committed.

City vs. Elmer White, disorderly conduct. Dismissed.

City vs. George Stewart, making rendezvous, dismissed, reprimand.

City vs. Frank Ward, vagrancy, sentenced 10 days. Committed.

City vs. Charles Fisher, vagrancy, sentenced 5 days, committed.

City vs. F. R. Matt, disorderly conduct, fined $10, paid.

City vs. John P Rogers, expectorating, fined $1, paid.

Total cases, 13. Total fines paid, $16.00.

IN JUSTICE'S COURT.

State vs. George Townsend, assault and battery, dismissed, fees $7.35.

State vs. Emma Pickerell, assault and battery, (fine $10), fees $7.35.

(These fees still due from county court).

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

License, peddler's, Hale Harma, one day	$ 1 00
License, J. Conner, saloon	200 00
License, Neckerman & Rogers, saloon	200 00
Rent city property, Salem T. & D Co. (for January 1899)	15 00
License, Hale Harma, peddler two days	2 00
Interest, State St. imp F. P. Tower	14 00
Fees, N. J. Judah, ex-off J. P. January 1899	66 00
Fees, D. W. Gibson, ex-off. constable, January 1899	27 90
License, insurance, Earl Race & Co., one year	18 00
License, peddler, John Gephen one day	1 00
License, auctioneer's, 1st quarter, Gilbert Bros	6 25
License, auctioneer's, 2nd quarter, Gilbert Bros	12 50
License, insurance, (3) one year each, Gilbert Bros	54 00
License, auctioneer's Friedman & Greenbaum, 3 months	12 50
License, A. E. Dagany, saloon	200 00
License, Neckerman & Rogers saloon	200 00
License, insurance, John Moir, one year	18 00
Fees, J. Conner, saloon	75
Fee, Neckerman & Rogers, saloon	75
Fee, A. E. Dagany, saloon	75
Fee, Neckerman & Rogers, saloon	75
Total miscellaneous receipts	$1,051 15

RECAPITULATION.

Fines	$ 18 00
Fees	96 90
Licenses	925 25
Rents	15 00
Interest, street imp	14 00
Total cash, February 1899,	$1,067 15

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Leaves Buena Vista	8 a. m.
Leaves Independence	9 a. m.
Leaves Salem	10 a. m.
Leaves Newberg	12:30
Arrive Portland	4:30

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Leaves Newberg	10:30 a. m.
Leaves Salem	3:30 p. m.
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