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### CAPTAIN KID.

Oh, Captain Kid was a piraate flerce, As ever sailed the sea-

He shifted his quid, the captain did, And drew his snickersnee.

The skipper's mate was more sedate-Her eyes were a violet blue; And rolling gait had the little mate, As all good sailors do.

The bos'n bold, who was six months old, (Though he had no teeth at all) He'd the least to do of all the crew, Excepting in a squal'.

Oh, Captain Kid just stormed, he did, When things went wrong at sea; And brandished in wrath his piece of lath, The aforessid snickersnee.

For the Bridget K was a leaky tub, Whose course was painfully slow; From Kitchen Door to Parlor Floor, Was as far as she could go!

When the pirate's fearsome cruise was done, They were safely tucked in bed; And papa looked in with cheerful grin-"Good night, little kids,"he said.

PAST YEAR.

-Kausas City Journal.

### AN ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET.

While a few persons seem to want to make political capital out of the financial budget for 1908, the betteh sense of the City Council seems to want to get at the facts and act from a business standpoint. The cold fact stares the finance committee in the face THAT THERE IS A DEFICIT OF ABOUT TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE

The North Commercial street bridge cost the city fourteen thousand dollars and it was projected for about five thousand.

That the political machine systematically MILKED THE CITY fun of Christmas. TREASURY ON THAT JOB FROM START TO FINISH NO ONE CAN

But there is little use crying over split milk, although it will be well to keep an eye on those who did the milking.

Now the proposition seems to be systematically nursed that the city should be got AS FAR INTO DEBT AS POSSIBLE ON CURRENT EX-

The proposition to Issue bonds for bridges, to Issue bonds for street

Improvements, and for other purposes, shows up continually, The basiness men in the city council seem to fight shy of the plan to run the city behind its revenues and thus LAY THE GROUND-WORK FOR BOND ISSUES IN VARIOUS FORMS.

This school district which is larger than the city built a new high school and paid for it without creating any new bonded debt,

There is no excuse for the city running into debt on current expenses, and the business men of the council seem to want to pay cash for improvements AND PAY AS THEY GO ALONG, AND THAT IS RIGHT. It is strenuously prohibited that the city council spend money. BP-YOND WHAT IS PROVIDED BYTHE BUDGET.

It was not made plain by the speeches Monday night that the city the past year has really run a tenthousand dollar deficit, and is right back where the Hayseed council found it. HERE ARE FIGURES TO PROVE IT:

Estimated revenues for 1907..... \$47,000

Shortage in revenues , 1907	
Total charges to 1907	
Net against administration, 1907	

Now figures will bear juggling and it may be possible to arrange the above figures so as to secure a different result,

But those who are working on the budget, SAY THERE IS A DE-FICIT and that they are trying to get the city on a cash basis.

The budget committee want to levy a tax of three mills for general

purposes and one and a half mills for streets and roads. The budget committee reported \$8,140 for general miscellaneous ex-

enses, made up as follows:	
Jaultor city hall\$	120
Recorder's office	75
Treasurers' office	25
Elections	275
Extra police	250
Feeding prisoners	150
Fuel	500
Horses and harness	500
Horse feed	500
Coke for fire department	100
Horse shoeing	120
Fire department incidentals	60.0
Interest on warrants	200
	4.100
Cleneral incidentals	205

Total, miscellaneous and incidentals .... \$8,140 It is better for a growing city to make provisions in its budget for all actual expenses THAN TO CREATE DEFICITS TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR ISSUING BONDS.

It is far cheaper to pay for needed expenditures outright than to issue bonds and pay as much interest as principal and then still have the debt left to pay in the future,

The report of the budget committee, headed by Alderman Greenbaum, should be adopted and THERE SHOULD BE NO COMPROMISE WITH THE DEBT CREATING PLAN.

The committee on budget for 1908 has estimated that \$12,1	37 wil
needed for the following purposes:	
State street improvement	6,037
South Commercial street bridge	1,000
For repairing same	500
For repairing North Commercial treet bridge	500
For three new cisterns	1,500
General repair work, bridges, etc.,	2,600
Total\$	2.137
Grand Totals for 1908:	
Interest on bonded debt	0.800
Character and building	9 4 9 7
Streets and bridges	8 140
Miscellaneous and incidentals	0,140
General budget	24,740
Total for 1998\$	15,817

### IN HONOR OF A WORKER.

The budget committee proposes a levy to meet this estimate.

The Capital Journal has undertaken to honor one of the workers of this city.

It offers a free box TO THE MOST POPULAR SALESLADY IN THIS CITY on a coupon voting contest.

No class of toilers are more deserving than the girls and women who stand behind the counters and wait on the public in our many places of business.

Their work requires to be exact, patient, intelligent and COURTEOUS TO ALL KINDS OF SHOPPERS.

They are often required to furnish brains and frequently good taste and discrimination to the shoppers themselves.

They earn the money that carries on the business to a large extent by their ABILITY TO PLEASE CUSTOMERS AND MAKE SALES. One of these popular ladies, and they are popular and well known, will

win this prize by the free coupons contained in this paper, She will occupy the place of honor with a bevy of her friends and the lady in the box will see "The Man on the Box."

### THE E. M. WAITE FOUNTAIN.

By the will of the late Louisa M. Waite a fountain is to be erected in memory her husband, the well-known printer.

It had always been a hobby of Mr. Waite to leave a memorial of that kind to the community that had sheltered him, AND WHICH HE DID SO MUCH TO BUILD UP.

Be it remembered that E. M. Walte was one of the first promoters and organizers of the chamber of commerce at Salem.

He was one of the first to raise funds and send out literature to induce eastern people TO COLONIZE IN THE CAPITAL CITY.

As a public spirited citizen he had few equals and no superior and it is highly fitting that he should be honored with a memorial.

By the will of his estimable wife, his often expressed wish to have a fountain erected will now be complied with. A second beautful memorial of this kind will grace one of our public

parks AND IN THE NAME OF A GOOD MAN. He gave of his enthusiasm and of his substance generously during hi

life and it is no more than right that he should be remembered. Mrs. Waite deserves the recognition of being held in grateful memory for making her will so as to carry this into effect,

To Cure Cold in One Day. t falls to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

Christmas goods early," but who of Stone's store. us can refrain from joining in the Christmas rush? That's half the

BUTTERNUT BREAD. It is worth more than any other bread, yet the price is no higher For sale at your grocer's.

CALIFORNIA BAKERY. Thomas & Cooley, Props

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine weakened vitality; good health it gentle reader, to say who shall be Druggists refund money if hard to retain. If you'd retain yours, the woman in the case, or the box, fortify your system with Hollister's as the case may be. Rocky Mountain Tea, the surest way. It is easy to advise people to "buy 35s, Tea or Tablets. For sale at Dr.

> When buying Christmas presents worries you it is a sign that neither you nor the recipients are going to get much good out of the presents you send.

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## A THEATRE PARTY FOR SOMEONE

Journal Readers Have Only to Se. lect the Lady and the Journal Will See that the Box is Provided for Herself and Friends,

One of Salem's popular saleswo men will have the opportunity Wednesday night, Dec. 27th, of giving a nice little theater party to four friends, when "The Man on the Box" FUNARCE is presented to Salem theater-goers at the Grand opera house. It depends entirely on the lady's friends as to which one it will be. The votes are absolutely free. All you have to do is to clip out the coupon, which will be printed in the Journal every day up to and including the evening of the 24th, and deposit it in some one of the ballot boxes, the location of which is given elsewhere. These ballots will be taken up the evening of the 24th and to the saleslady receiving the greatest number of votes, a box at the Grand opera house will be given by the Journal. The boxes seat five, which permits the winner to invite four friends. The Journal realizes that it has given its readers a pretty difficult purzle to solve, for with so many popular and pretty women as there are employed in Salem's stores it makes it hard guessing. The Journal horse Guaranteed gas, stoke of editor admits to having already se. proof. Economical and h lected not less than a dozen, each of whom he feels is the one who ought to win, and this complicates matters for him, for you see it makes him "the man in the box" before the coutest really begins, and there will be others. It will be a case of putiling the men in a box in naming the woman in the box at "The Man on the Box," and the whole thing a Christmas box. Then again, coming at the gladsome Yuletide, just imagine getting a whole opera box in one's Christmas stocking, so to speak, A jolly little theater party will be something to be long remembered in cornection with the Christmas This is the season of decay and holidays of 1907, and it's up to you,

> For any of the ordinary diseases of the skin Chamberlain's Salve is itching and smart but effects a cure For sale at Dr. Stone's drug store.

This is the time of year when a lot of crabbed old souls who want a chance to dodge their responsibilities begin telling us how wicked it is to keep up the old Santa Claus tra-

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It is now the winter of our discontent, when we are obliged to close out the balance of our Winter Stock at prices that are mere skeletons.

We say we are obliged to do so == and we are. The reason is that ===

## A GOOD, SAFE AND SENSIBLE BUSINESS POLICY DEMANDS IT

The wise man who has his eye on his pocketbook will now get busy, and buy all the wearables he can use. Don't wait too long=call soon=and remember the early bird story.

Run your eyes down this list and consider the great saving opportunity we are offering you.

\$30.00 Suits and Overcoats \$22.00 \$25.00 Suits and Overcoats \$16.00

\$20.00 Suits and Overcoats \$13.00 \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats \$ 9.50

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