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TELLING OF THE OLD DAYS.

Members of the Exempt Firemen's Association

Recall Their Early Experiences with the

Famous Hand Engine and Oliver Wren,

the Entertainer, Took an Interesting Part

in the Evening's Informality.

The Exempt Firemen in their meeting

Saturday night were treated to a

very enjoyable entertainment by Oliver

Wren, of Brooklyn, who gave an

exhibition of his talent in several char-

acter recitations and dialect songs.

The evening was at his disposal and while

the occasion was somewhat informal,

no interest was lacking for the

entertainment from the beginning

to the close. The company

however, expected something good

each time Mr. Wren arose and they got

it. The frequent applause showed the

high appreciation of his hearer.

During the evening at the intermission

President Saltzman called on various ones of the

members for speeches. City Treasurer

Timothy responded eloquently on the

trials and tribulations of a fireman's

life, and told how the statement was

disproved that the old hand engine, once

the city's mainstay, could "quit" over

the pole that stood at the corner

of Front street and Park avenue.

He said the boys got their dander up and

were bound to throw over it or bust the

machination. They did so and sent the

stream ten feet higher, about ninety

feet in all. At that time there was but

one fire well in the city.

L. E. Barkley related several re-

miniscences of early days in the Plain-

field fire department. He was one of

the first members. The first meeting

of the old Gazette Company was held

in his shop. Later he was called to

be an engine house for the company and

wait till such time as the necessary

funds could be raised to pay for it. His

offer was accepted, and he built the

house, which was occupied be-

fore it was anywhere near done. It

was pleasant to listen to these stories

of other days, which carried the mem-

bers back in fancy to their early strug-

gles with the fire fiend.

During the evening the fire alarm

was struck and President Saltzman re-

marked that that was the first time he

had not showed up at roll call at an

alarm in twenty years. On notice of

these occasions he was busy with other

business, but did not let it detain him,

and came just as he was called.

The alarm struck, and he was called

at the engine house. Before the alarm

ring closed, it was proposed to elect Mr.

Wren an honorary member of the Ex-

empt Firemen's Association, which was

done. He responded in a happy man-

ner and said that he was now an hon-

orary member of more than twenty of

these associations throughout New

York.

IN JUDGE CODDINGSTON'S COURT.

The Court was occupied this morning

with the case of a boy and a man who

did not do right. Charles McCarty was

drunk and disorderly and used profane

language "on the bridge at midnight."

Saturday. He was taken by Marshall

Pangborn and turned over to Officer

Frederickson. He pleaded guilty and

THE TIME OF THE SINGING OF BIRDS

Rev. C. E. Herring begins the first of his

Spring-Time Sermons and tells some in-

teresting legends regarding the Pass-

over of the birds. The text was taken from the

Songs of Solomon, Chapter 2, verse 12.

The time of the singing of birds is come.

The church was full to its utmost

capacity, notwithstanding the warmth of the night.

The pastor said some birds have been

regarded in a favorable and some in an

unfavorable light. But the robin

everywhere. There is a legend that his

red breast was caused by the prick

from one of the thorns with which the

Saviour was crowned. Another says it

was caused by the bird flying toward

Heaven to get fire to burn the horns of

the devil. Another says it was caused

by the bird flying too close to the place

of torment and carrying water in its

bill for the "imprisoned victims." The

birds sing in Spring-time over their

loves, and over their future life. This

means eternity. We are meant to be

as happy as they are, and as they live

long years in proportion to their size,

it is through eight or nine years and the

same number of years as might be

if our bodies were all cheerfulness, and

free from business worry, have length

of days which is in the right hand of

wisdom.

Nature is prolific in birds and yet it

permits them to be destroyed in their

yearly flight from climate to climate at

the rate of 600 in every thousand. But

all the birds sing as cheerily as if their

number was never less. This is the

study in adversity. The sight of the

birds of prey is very keen and on the

plains they can see their prey for fifteen

miles. If we could get away from

earthly things and get up above this

earth what sights we might see on

which to feed the hunger of the soul.

The hawk which preys on the nest-

lings of smaller birds is pursued by

THE GAME OF BASE BALL SATURDAY

The game of base ball Saturday af-

ternoon, which the much advertised

"Murray Hills" of New York city put

up against the Crescents, was the rank-

est exhibition of ball playing ever seen

on the Somerset street grounds. The

visiting club could not play ball even a

minute. It was in the kind of game

that the Amusement Company intend

fasting upon the Plainfield public, the

sooner it is known the better for all

concerned. It would be far better for

the credit of the company to have the

Crescents play scrub nine, composed

of home players than to have such an

astounding team as the Murray Hills

back against. The score is interesting

only as a curiosity:

Crescents.

Murray Hills.

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