

CORRESPONDENCE

As good weather is a thing of the past there is no use of complaining, but content ourselves with red-cheeked apples, popcorn, gloomy days and long dismal nights. There was a pleasant little dance at the residence of Press Bonney last Saturday night. P. E. Bonney and A. F. Bell were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eyman, of Shelwood, Washington county, last week. The debating club held their election last Wednesday. B. C. Palmer was elected president; O. Lafferty, vice-president; Fannie Bonney, secretary; Emory Gattberg, treasurer; B. Vedder, critic; S. F. Dix, attorney; G. Gorbett, marshal. Colton will have a shooting match on December 24th for turkeys and geese. The young people of this place are going to work with a will, and making all preparations for a good entertainment on the 28th. Baskets large, small, beautiful and dainty will be sold, the proceeds of which will go to help build a hall. Miss Minnie Carlson is again in our midst. We are glad to see her smiling face among us once again. A number of our young folks attended the Elwood spelling school last Friday night. They report a grand time. Some of our boys are going to Elwood quite often. What does it mean boys? GARFIELD. GARFIELD, Nov. 28.—We are having lots of rain. As all have their fall work done we don't mind it, for that's what makes Oregon sure of a good crop. Mrs. Hunt was up to her home lately looking after her property. She took her husband to Fair View to see their daughters to be near a doctor and he died down there. As they had but the one child, and her married, it leaves her quite lonely. We have quite a number of widows up here in all and only two widowers. Miss Rena Palmateer is home from a four week's visit to Dufer. She reports having had a very good time. Most every one has sold their dried fruit, and as this part of Oregon can't be beat for fine fruit, it was quite an item. Mr. Robert Miller is in Southern Oregon prospecting. We wish him success. School is progressing nicely in both school houses. Both houses are provided with nice bells. Mrs. Keath is visiting at her sisters, Mrs. J. J. Davies. We hope it isn't a case of "marry in haste, repent at your leisure," if so it adds one more to our widow list. Mrs. Porter goes to Napa, California, on a visit to her sister and family whom she has not seen for 16 years or more. All wish her a nice visit. Mr. H. Epperson is away tending to his chop mill. It is surmised some of our most estimable young ladies will take a trip to Eastern Oregon ere long to preside as housekeeper No. 2. We wish you joy. Mr. Julius Astring made a flying trip to see his father and mother. He is working at Pleasant Home. Mrs. Henry Palmateer is quite poorly with lung troubles. Mr. Lee Willis had the finest crop of potatoes on the hills, some weighing 3 lbs. Mr. Hobline moved his family to their own house. Mr. Henry Anders has made quite extensive improvements on his buildings. Will there be a wedding soon. Mr. Henry Palmateer is rushing things lively to get his fire place and flues built so as to move his family in soon. The debating and literary society are having crowded houses at the Irvan school house. But with the exception of a few none have the sand to get up and discuss the question or take part in the literary. As there is lots of good talent among the young people in this settlement its too bad to see them so timid. I know they can make it one of the most interesting places (if all true) that Clackamas county can afford. Mr. Win. Palmateer is over from Ione, Eastern Oregon, and all are glad to shake his big honest hand. He is quite smitten with Eastern Oregon and says he is doing well there. We all join in wishing him success. His daughter is soon to wed one of Ione's finest young men. May joy attend them is the wish of all her friends. Mrs. George Covey, an aged lady had a paralytic stroke while alone in the house and fell against the stove in such a manner as to get her clothes on fire, burning one foot badly and would have burned to death had she not regained consciousness to put out the fire, as she is well along in years its not likely she will entirely recover. Mr. Sarver is improving nicely under the care of Dr. C. B. Smith. Oswego, Oswego, Dec. 14.—For the past few days men with teams have been hauling and distributing poles along the line of the Portland and Newberg telephone route, as this line runs through Oswego we expect soon to have telephone com-

munication with the metropolis. The trustees of the M. E. church are contemplating the building of a parsonage near their church in the old town, it is expected that the work will begin in a very short time. Butchering hogs has been the order of the day in Oswego since the cold weather set in. A gentleman who lives in the new town told your reporter yesterday that the wells of two of his neighbors had gone dry within the last few days. These wells have heretofore had plenty of water at all seasons of the year. Who can explain this phenomena? John Boals, of Mayger, was in Oswego last Saturday looking for a man to make charcoal for him. It is said that he secured the services of William Worthington. T. R. Haines, of Oregon City was visiting his parents here last Sunday. Miss Ada Fox, who has been employed in Portland for some time past is now at home quite sick with malarial fever. Mrs. Eva Bussard and her two little girls of Oregon City was visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Haines, on Sunday and Monday. Miss Mattie Fox, of the West Side visited her father and mother, on the Conifer place yesterday. Last Monday night was a red letter night with L. O. O. F. No. 93 at this place, five novices rode the frisky animal called the goat. A number of visitors from Portland and Oregon City were present, among those from the county seat were the sheriff and recorder. The Rebeccas had a sumptuous feast prepared to which ample justice was done by all present. Mrs. Teresa Kramer has removed from her home in Oswego to Portland. What's the matter with Webfoot anyhow? Is the question one hears most frequently now. Have we got a few degrees nearer the north pole, or has the returning Klondikers brought a touch of Alaska weather with them.

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