The Commissioners court was in session at the court house on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and F Dempsey "" Saturday of last week, with County Judge Watters and Commissioners Irwin and Jolly in attendant time.

W F Whitby, John Whitaker and T W B Smith were appointed viewers to examine a proposed change in the county road leading from Corvallis to Dusty, their report to besubmitted to the court January 7. They are to meet at the residence of D C Ecker at 10 o'clock a m December 22 nd. The petition for the proposed change was presented by D C Beker, and

The resignation of G C Peck as. road supervisor, of district number C A Gerhard stationary 13, Alsea was arcetted, tofftake Allen & Medical Control road supervisor, of district number

The road known as the George L Thompson road, was on petition of Wiley Johnson and 37 others R M Gilbert bridge work ordered vacated 13 V 13 15 (131) H R Galbert 13 11 11 11 The petition of E E Raber and otherswas granted, for the building of a footbridge near the Richland school house. The county is to furnish lumber Hand nails and the residents of the vibinity to do the work of building?

Eli Spencer J A Wood and John Skaggs, viewers appointed to assess damages for a gataway for J E Davis through the farms of F. H Francis and R E Blodgett, near J T Phillips
Blodgett, reported \$25 damages for J R Smith & Co Francis and \$5 for Blodgite. Davis Virgil B Waners freight of paid the amount and the gateway was declared a public highway.

An order was made, confirming G W Goff road work an arrangement by which Assessor F H Hughson as and vonchers Bush is to pay \$65 for the work of J H Edwards viewer Cooper & New making changes in the assessment.

WON SILVER MEDAL

In Oratorical Contest-Bishop Custo Ill Other Philomath News

The W.C.T.H. of Philomath gapes J.R. Fender marker Coo. an entertainment line the College Albert Saturday. charel last Saturday evening at the second roads and the had never visited the home-which the children gave recitations. The loans surveyon in amountest for a silver medal of H. Harris ethest General our the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home with a south of the had never visited the home.

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Mr Macauley, who recently left this place for Portland, sent a telegram a few days ago to his two boys who were still here, to come to Portland, that their mothers are the problem of the portland, that their mothers are the problem of the problem to Portland, that their mother was very ill.

Mr and Mrs Gant spent a few days at their Yambill farm last week.

Bishop Castle has been quite poorly for several days past so as to be unable to go to Seattle where he had promised to attend a church

Miss Elva Akin has returned from her vacation in California.

Albany, Or., Dec. 6.—There is no question that the injuries received bid will be received after six o'clock, by Andrew Ames, of Sweet Home, January 16, 1903. which caused his death, were inflicted by the horns of a vicious cow. Ames was found dying on the floor of his stable. His collar bone was broken, and his shoulder was badly lacerated. There were rumors of foul play before the facts were known.

Bids for Wood.

Bids for furnishing the Oregon Agricultural College with wood for the ensuing school year, will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, up to the thirty first day of December, 1902.

For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of the Clerk, or to the undersigned.

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VICTOR P. MOSES, County Clerk. Proposals for Wood

is hereby given that the clerk of school district No 9, Benton county, Oregon, will receive sealed bids for furnishing the said district with wood for the coming year, towit, 25 cords of oak grub wood, and 70 cords split fir wood, old growth or 70 cords of fir wood, second growth, all wood to be of good second growth, all wood to be of good quality, not less than four feet in length, and not less than four inches nor more than eight inches in thickness or diameter, to be delivered at the school building, in said district on or before August

> MILES STARR, Clerk,

Christmas Gifts-

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Laura F. Pratt.

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*********************************** An Interrupted Revenge a b a

By JOHN GASTON

HO is the distinguished looking man who came in then with Mr. Campbell?"

The person to whom the question

was addressed glanced across the re-ception hall and replied.

"Robest Gordon He is the fellow about whom the newspapers are say-ing so much—the lobbyist from New York who has succeeded in getting the Consolidated Telephone ordinances through the council, Handsome, isn't

"Remarkably 50. Still, on a closer view his expression is not entirely pleasant and a should say that he bears marks of dissipation—not grossly, but there is something that suggests wine, women and song at unholy hours-or am I mistaken? Is that

Pallor fature 77. A woman standing near bent a keen glande at the man as his mand was mentioned and the slightest suggestion of a flush oppeared or her cheeks. It was the first time she had laid eyes on him since the night she had jilted hem for Frederick Markham. That was 19 years ago. They were both young from childhood? He was still in col lege, a brilliant boy and h career predicted for him. But the career was a longs beare is joud Gordon had tittle

other than expectations.

Brederick: Markham was: rich : and well-connected and ten years; ther senior. He offered her all the things so dear to the cial just budding into so-ciety, and she had accepted him and thrown Gordon over. She had not anticipated such a seeme hovever, as followed when she told him that she was to marge Wardshipp. He counsed her bitterly of heartressness and of delib-erately leading him on for the suke of amusement. He swore that the had ruined his life and for the wreck that waten historial in a cresident by every law of God and of many He told that he would never again believe in the sincerity of a human greature. He would-live, he declared solely to gratify his senses, and he wished her much joy in the sale she had made of herself. It was the speech of a hotheaded, high-spirited, disappointed boy. It all came up before her this night many years later with startling vividness as she looked at him across

And it had eventuated much as he lege course and studied law, while His great natural abilities had carried him through and he had settled in New York, where, instead of devoting him

of questionable schemes. He has

And he had succeeded and it was will perget that he had secured a small for tune for his work.

She was surprised at the great change in the man, and still more are prised at the unchanged resemblant to the ingenuous, enthusiastic vous she had known. He looked scarce older, excepting for the prematurely gray hair, although the face had look its roundness and the cheeks were

white with pallor.

While all this fleshed through her mind Robert Gordon and Mr. Campbell. were surrounded by a merry party of ladies and gentlemen, to whom the former was being presented. When Mrs. Markham glaneed toward the party, Gordon was being presented to her daughter, a tall, handsome, viva-clous girl of 18. The mother noted the look of startled recognition in his eyes (the girl was a perfect prototype of her mother at the same age), and noted also the slight flush in his pale cheek. The mask of indifference half vanished from his face and he entered at once into an animated conversation with the girl. An expression of anxiety came into the face of Mrs. Markham and the shadow of a great apprehen-sion crossed her heart. Then she straightened herself haughtily and muttered to herself:

"What an idea. I must be going into second childhood."

During the entire evening Gordon monopolized Miss Markham's attention, and at the close handed her to the carriage-all to the considerable discomfiture of her mother.

Robert Gordon did not return at once to New York as he had announced previously. The weeks feded into months and still he occupied the handsomest suite at the Royal and hang over the dainty hand of the young heiress of the Markham fortune. Mrs. Markham fretted and stewed, but her expostulations fell on unheeding ears. The girl felt the strong attraction toward the handsome man of the world ever felt by daughters toward the men who have been the unsuccessful suitors for their mothers' hands; and as for Markham, he was charmed by the dominant

personality of the New Yorker. -The mother's apprehensions were not unfounded, however, and one day the father awoke to the situation and there was a most serious talk between Clare's parents. It was fully evident that the girl was madly in love with the brilliant lobbyist, and when the matter was talked over Frederick Markham saw at once that it was not a proper match for the daughter. Then there was a serious

interview with the girl, who was told plainly the character of the man. She resented it passionately, and the result was that a few days later Robert Gordon formally proposed to

ter. In reply to the indignant re-fusal of the father detach coolly inormed him that he already had the onsentrot the girl and prepared 366 arry her in any sevent swith. the parental consent if possible, without if Hecessary. Clares when consulted cast her lot with Govern, 17 AH revelations more erning | Cordons : caeer and record were without avail. Then the mother in desperation went to Gordon's apartments at the Royal and made a pathetic appeal to

"Phere can be no happiness in such motch," she said. "When she awakns to the realities she will be heaft? broken as you well know. There is ho happiness in such a seriage ither for her or for you. Ldo not know what you are after. I will not insult you by intimating that you seek her money. If you do it shall be yours without a marriage. In any event I conjure you by a mother's love; by the memory of the old times then we were friends more than riends, do not destroy my daugh-Rising from his chair where he had

at nonchalant and unconcerned duran ing the interview, Gordon advanced, directly in front of the excited wom-an who stood with clasped hairds nd flushed face pouring Doug 19her eart, and said in a voice "Moarse" with emotion: Z: 1 May 82 251

"It has been mys dream dor 319 ears to see you in front cot cme pleading for something dear to rear leart. I never dared to hope the certainly out in the manner it has Let me tell ou, I will give you your heart's degree just as you gave me injust 19 sears ago. You chose deliberately to ruin my life. You were merch less even stormed what I amad am as a result of your heartlessness. What I am agt is the result of your mithlessness. All the reasons that make me in your estimation an unfit husband for your daughter are the result of your ambition and your adwee. I was not a man of bad instincts in the old days I was not woide of ambition. All this you diam's stely killed. 5 Your sapped adiothe me aside a mere hisk. Now you apper heal to the moral nature you destroyed. I never dreamed of so perfect a revenge until I saw the girlyour why second sell, and their I saw the May to make you suffer even hs 14 versuffered. Andeyan must wiffer a the end of willount spare god Go 9 tell the girlanhat I heve anide

and tell the girl what I have pand and that I am your old love of your please. She will not believe it and Jowill deny it. It is your turn to walk the floor now. I have done it for 19 lyears. Oh, Fawih lead your proud and whatther girl as pretty I dampe, I promise your of its 191

He leaught hasons tshe fainted, and fter applying restoratives : showed d her to begonriage as to allevio The wedding was a swell affair and the newly wedded pair went abroad

It was ten months later at Venice. the soft languor of the Italian Wifest The months had been a revelation to Gordon. Never had he supposed earth held such joy as he had found in the golden weeks that had slipped by since his murriage. As he penetrated further and further into the nature of the woman who had married him despite warning and evil report; he sounded depths of tenderness that he never expected had existed. Far, from carrying out his threat and intention to break her heart, he became inspired day by day with the deepest reverence for her? This soft evening in Venice the climax came. He crossed over to where his wife sat and said: occord that postero

"Clare, I have a confession to make I cannot go on in this way with a lie in my heart. I did not marry you with a clean soul and from a pure love. All they have said about me is true. Your mother knew me better than any living person, and she told you the truth. Since I have known you as wife I have come to learn somewhat of your real worth, and a great loathing of myself has taken possession of me until life seems only tolerable on the condition that I cease to act a lie and that you know me as I am Forgive me? 1 was cruelly hurt by a weman once and I charged it to all womankind, will make any amends you say. will leave you if you will it ony thing, anything, no matter how hard so I stand at least honest in your sight."

With a broken sob he sank on one knee and buried his face in his hands. In an instant she was beside him with both arms about his neck. "I knew you better than you knew yourself," she whispered.

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It Answered the Purpose, "I can't see," said the visitor, "why you have your genealogical chart hung so high. Such things are extremely interesting, but no one can examine

by the arm and led him into the library where they could be slone, parl "Mrs. Porcine," he explained, "was bound to have one of them, things, and as we didn't have one right handy I just framed my prize greyhound's pedigree and hung it high."-Chicago

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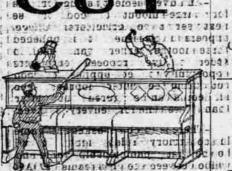
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