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**PORTLAND LOCALS**

**COLOR'D ELKS ILLEGAL**  
 The committee that were appointed John Jackson, Henry Fields and Geo. Woods to investigate the origin and legal status of the order of Elks among the colored people in the United States reported last week that they had thoroughly investigated the matter and that they find that the order of Elks in the United States among the colored people have no authority and power whatever. That it is nothing more or less than a self-constituted body, and the colored lodges of Elks that have been organized in different parts of the United States are self-constituted bodies. The committee that made the investigation is composed of prominent colored men of Chicago and they wanted to get at the truth of the matter. It is stated upon good authority that some steps will be taken very soon by some colored men to secure the proper authority from the white order of Elks in Canada to offer and regulate and institute the order of Elks among colored men in the United States.

**TACOMA NOTES**

Don't forget the New Year's ball December 31st.  
 Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John Davis are in our city visiting her mother.  
 Miss Ella Sledge entertained a few friends Christmas morning.  
 Miss Blanche Rucker entertained a few guests Christmas night.  
 The Misses Ruth and Clifford Freeman spent Christmas day in Seattle.  
 Miss Winslow entertained Miss Myrtle Hall and Miss Wortha at luncheon Christmas day.  
 Miss Mary Marshall entertained Master Edgar and Miss Lottie Hall Christmas afternoon.  
 Miss Myrtle Hall entertained Christmas afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Jr. and Miss Martha Goldsburg at dinner.  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson entertained Christmas night Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Jr., Mr. Monro, Mr. John Hall and Miss Myrtle Hall.  
 Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Simon entertained Christmas morning the following: Mrs. Estella Gibson, Miss Myrtle and Lottie Holland and Miss Lawhorn.  
 Christmas eve was duly celebrated at A. M. E. church. The exercises consist of songs and recitations by the Sunday school. The church was fixed up with a fine place through which Santa Claus entered. After the entertainment presents were distributed and ice cream was served. The Rev. and Mrs. Freeman and daughter were well thought of.

**OUR CHICAGO LETTER**

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 17th, 1906.  
 Dr. Bert Anderson and Mrs. Violette Blackwell were quietly married last week.  
 Mr. A. W. Ford, government meat inspector of the stock yards has been promoted.  
 It is reported that the Bethesda Baptist church has purchased a beautiful lot and are soon to build a new church.  
 Mrs. William Gibson of 3645 Dearborn and Mr. Orange Allen two old respected citizens of Chicago, are dead.  
 The Fellowship club will entertain with a dance on Christmas night. This club is composed of the prominent professional men in the city.  
 Mr. George C. Brown of Buffalo, N. Y., is in the city on a visit. Rev. Jordan Chavis pastor of the Harmon Baptist church has purchased a beautiful home at 3532 Forest avenue.  
 Mr. E. A. Harper of 6613 Sangamon street, a prominent mason of Chicago was elected worshipful master of Keystone lodge last Thursday. Keystone Lodge No. 10 is a progressive lodge and is under the jurisdiction of the St. John's Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. Masons of Illinois.  
 There is great complaint made in Chicago about one Rev. E. J. Fisher, D. D., LL. D., formerly of Georgia, who was not man enough to stand with the other self-respecting colored men, women and children and protest against Pitchfork Tillman coming to Chicago and degrading our race with his talk of lynching.  
 There is an effort being made on the part of the colored people of Chicago to have Engine Company No. 21 of the City Fire Department composed entirely of colored firemen. This company is among the oldest companies in Chicago, and many colored men have been members of the same for a number of years, but now they want the company to be entirely composed of colored men and a colored captain.

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