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CITY AND COUNTY.

BRIEF MENTION.

We are under obligations to Hon. James K. Kelly for valuable public documents.

W. H. Abrams started East on a visit on Tuesday last.

Rev. J. T. Wolfe will preach at the Court House to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M. and 6:30 P. M. Sabbath School at 2 P. M.

Frank Wilton tenders his thanks to those who rented costumes from him on New Year's eve for their liberal patronage.

The pastor of the M. E. Church in this city purposes commencing a series of Meetings in his church one week from to-morrow.

The married ladies of Eugene have organized a society, which they have christened, "The Eugene Social and Literary Society." It will meet once in two weeks, on Wednesday evening.

Prof. Samwell's dog show was here during the week. The great attractions were Master Walter, a small boy, walking a rope stretched across the street from the second story windows, and little Miss Morton's performance on the trapez.

Dr. Souville Mathieu will remain at the St. Charles Hotel until the tenth inst. Dr. M. makes a speciality of diseases of the throat and lungs, ctarrh, etc., and we learn from our exchanges down the valley that he has been very successful in the treatment of these diseases in the towns below.

OATS.—Frank Coleman has a lot of oats for sale.

ABSCONDED.—John Elston, agent of Prof. Samwell, and who had all the funds of the company, after taking in the receipts for the first evening's performance, absconded with all the funds. He's gone to hunt "Dr." Flattery.

SHOT.—A young man named Louis Hoosier, who lives just east of town, while out hunting this week, slipped and fell, discharging his gun, the ball just grazed his neck, cutting a gash about three inches long. It was a close call.

MAGNIFIQUE.—The masquerade on New Year's eve was a grand affair, and the different characters sustained to the life. There were representatives of the aristocratic, plebeian, pedantic, literary, dignified, flippant, solemn, dogmatic, nondescript and grotesque phases of life, and everybody enjoyed the fun to their hearts content.

LECTURE.—Mrs. F. A. Logan will lecture at the Court House this Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, also at the same place Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All who heard this lady on the subject of Temperance a few weeks since, will wish to hear these lectures. Subject Saturday evening, "The Relation Women Sustain to Men, legally, socially and morally." Sunday, "Immortality of the Soul." Admission, free.

FOR 1878.—We will furnish the GUARD and Ballou's Monthly Magazine one year for $3.75 in advance. The Magazine contains as much reading matter as the $4 magazines—stories, history, sketches of the manners, customs and habits of different races of people; sketches of natural history; the household and farm, youth's department, and a large amount of interesting and instructive miscellaneous reading, and at the end of the year can be bound, making a volume worth twice the amount of the subscription price.

BILK.—A fellow calling himself "Dr. J. Flattery," came to Portland a few months ago and announced himself a healer of all ills to which human flesh is heir. He was a sleek, plausible scoundrel, and not only deceived the people of Portland with his oily gammon, but succeeded in advertising extensively in two-thirds of the papers in the State. After swindling everybody who was green enough to trust him, (we among others to the tune of $30), he suddenly lit out last week. He is as ignorant of the science of medicine as a pack mule, and the only "chronic" disease he knows anything about is chronic dead beat and swindler. Kick him along. We don't charge him a cent for this ad.

BALLOU'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR JANUARY.—The January number of this favorite magazine is a sample of what it will be the whole year,—light, attractive, and a friend, to be welcomed in every household, and read with pleasure by old and young. There is nothing like it in this country; for it is a marvel of cheapness and good taste, with the most choice variety of reading-matter that can be found in any serial in this country. Now is a good time to subscribe for Ballou's, as it costs but a dollar and a half a year, and is postpaid at that. just try it for a year. Published by Thomes & Talbot, 23 Hawley Steeet, Boston, at only $1.50 per annum, postpaid; and for sale at all the news stations at 15 cents a copy. A sample copy of the January number will be sent to any address on the receipt of ten cents by the publishers; then, if you wish to continue, it will only be necessary to remit $1.40 for the balance of the year.

Lane County Tax Payers.

The following is a list of the tax-payers in Lane county who pay $100 and over, with the amount of tax paid by each:

O & C R R	$4,059 00
Humphrey, George	1,362 98
Chrisman, C E	1,103 40
Holt Bros	637 79
Meek, Samuel	555 17
Humphrey, Norris	432 00
Smith, Hiram	385 20
Willamette Real Estate Company	386 10
Ebbert, J A	370 80
Smith, Brasfield & Co	360 90
Harpole, J W	356 29
Wallis, M	346 00
Washburn, C W	332 82
Bundy, H	332 42
Cummins, Wm	328 48
Hendricks, T G	321 07
Dunn & Stratton	300 60
Armitage, Geo. H	257 61
Aubrey, M T	109 08
W W Bristow estate	108 16
Bushnell, J A	102 10
Baber, G H	253 15
Bushnell, J C	122 15
Bushnell, James A	149 76
Bond, J W	108 00
Bond, A	113 10
Belshaw, George	258 48
Baily, John	161 71
Cherry, D	141 12
Cochran, R B	106 60
Cooper, G M	172 58
Crabtree, Zim	145 36
Cartwright, Mrs N M	117 86
Comegys, Pres	114 15
Dunham, Amos	109 13
DeLong, Dan J	108 60
Edwards, T D	234 75
Edwards, S H	148 71
Eakin, Sr, S B	121 30
J H Edmunson estate	198 72
Folsom, F W	184 03
Friendly, S H	100 00
Furgison, J B	183 60
Goodchild, Jas	147 45
Gillaspie, Jacob	189 34
Gilfry, J T	154 67
Hasbrook, Luther	100 00
How, N A W	117 72
Hawley, Ira	207 34
Horn, J M	126 00
Huffman, W H	184 60
Huffman, James	193 45
Howard, R V	148 39
Humphrey, A L	173 64
Huddleston, James	140 06
Hyland, A D	155 80
Hovey, A G	266 66
Hanley H G	172 57
Jennings, Bell	176 71
Jenkins, Steven	168 84
Judkins, Thos	196 41
Kelly, John	235 50
Kirk, James T	160 63
Kitchen & Bossetman	156 60
Lane Co. M'c'r. Ass	164 34
Lauer, Chas	289 10
Mathews, Elich	207 53
Murch, G H	100 67
Moseby, David	129 27
Millron, T A	170 63
Millron, John	294 33
Maxwell John	294 33
Maxwell, Jr., John	178 40
Maxwell, Henry	109 80
Moore, Henry	125 40
I. R. Moores' estate	190 08
McClling, J H	220 28
F. McMurry's estate	142 02
A. McCornack's estate	149 85
Ogle, Jos	119 79
Osburn & Co	174 02
O & C Land Co	255 65
O & C R R Department	206 00
Peters & Co	180 00
Powell, J H	123 28
Powers, J G	144 46
Powers, B F	156 00
Patterson, Robt	112 96
S Rosenblatt & Co	127 80
Risdon, D M	180 90
Shannon, Wes	163 80
Smith, Wm	115 38
Soverns, Geo	147 50
Stewart, Elias	167 88
Swift, Sam	137 55
Shields, Wm	105 14
Sellers, J K	113 78
Springfield Milling Co	268 39
Simmons, Wm	102 78
Solomon, L	191 52
Sternberg, Senders & Co	261 00
Simmons, A	111 92
Scott, Rodney	123 40
Spencer, W C	138 24
Spencer, S H	175 82
Scott, W J J	261 57
Thompson, J M	140 58
Taylor, Chris	161 40
Thurston, Geo	100 00
Vandyn, Isaac	211 59
Ward, G R	181 80
Walker, J F	208 00
Wilkins, W J & C	130 41
Wortman & Sons	112 50
Young, C W	259 61
Zumwalt, A J	116 60
Kennedy, J D	113 50

Sixty persons pay between $75 and $100, and one hundred persons pay between $50 and $75.

COSTUMES.—As announced last week, Mr. and Mrs. Wilton came up last Saturday with a number of character costumes to rent for the masquerade ball last Monday evening. The following is a list of persons who rented costumes and the characters they represented:

Dr. Souville Mathieu, the eminent French physician and surgeon—Claud Melnot, ir Lady of Lyons. Blue and white satin dress trimmed with silver. Handsome ornaments.

Miss Lockwood—Bohemian girl. Corn colored satin trimmed with white lace and wine colored velvet.

Miss Ella Cochrane—Mirilda, Cigar Girl of Cuba. Handsome orange dress, trimmed with black grenadine and black lace veil and castinettes.

Anna Renfrew—Child of the Regiment. Handsome alpaca. Military cut.

Dr. Nicklin—Henri De Legidere in the Duke's motto. A handsome wine colored satin trimmed in green silk. Brest plate of silver, and spangles.

M. S. Wallace—Don Ceasar. Black velvet dress trimmed in lilac satin, and ornamented breast plate.

Wm. Renshaw—as Genaro in Lucretia Borgia. Black and pink satin trimmed in gold.

Clay Humphrey—Col. De Mas, in Lady of Lyons. Black velvet trimmed with rose colored silk and gold. Chapeau with tri-colored feathers.

James Smith—Othello.

A. H. Welsh—Sample Switchel in Ten Nights in a Bar-Room.

W. H. Alexander—Spanish Jockey. Green velvet trimmed with rose colored satin.

Fremont Smith—Nick of the Woods.

James Abrams—Posohontas.

Lon Spencer—Irish jockey.

Wm. Alexander—Simon La Gree in Uncle Tom's Cabin.

Ed. McClanahan—Miser of Marseilles.

Mort. Pennington—Girl of the Period. Blonde wig.

Curran Osburn—Mat, Austin. Clown suit.

Wm. Blue—Irish Peasant.

A. J. Titus—James Cooke, the great Shakesperian clown.

Dr. Souville Mathieu, the well known French physician and surgeon, is now in this city. Those who wish to see him will receive his immediate attention by calling at the St. Charles Hotel.

Henry Clay Dean on Financial Emancipation.

The following extract, from a speech of Hon. Henry Clay Dean contains as much truth and sound logic as ever was crowded in so small a space, and should be read by every working man in the country:

Under the pretence of freeing the negro slaves of the United States, we have incorporated into the Government the most exacting system of slavery ever instituted among men. It is worse than the feudal system. The old feudal lords could not exact a share of the fruits which did not grow on the lands occupied by his villein; his incomes were confined to his lands; he was prosperous only when his lands produced. When he called his dependants into his armies, he secured glory only when they were victorious in battle. The old planter gathered his crops only when they grew. The support of the slave devolved upon the master in childhood, in sickness and old age; his birth and doctor bill and burial were at his master's expense. But these bondholders have their income assured, they vary not one farthing, no difference how the ability of the people vary who have the bonds and accruing interest to pay. When the bondholder is unable to work—indeed, he never works—his income is unchanged. When the farmer's grain is nipped by the frosts, swept away by the floods, he must economize to repair his loss. When the murrain destroys his cattle, the cholera destroys his swine, the epizootic destroys his horses, and disease sweeps away his sheep, he must endure the loss, and with renewed energy regain his losses by honest labor. When machinery explode by steam, or is consumed by fire, or the whole establishment is laid waste by the floods, the owners retrieve their ruined fortunes by their industry. When the mechanic is no longer able to ply the plane, the saw, the hatchet, the chisel and the hammer, he has to live upon accumulated substance of former years of toil. His children in their tender years are driven by necessity from school to workshops or manufactories, where their physical and intellectual manhood are dwarfed together. The daily laborer, whose wages are spent almost as fast as they are earned, has no means of livelihood except the money coined from the sweat of his toil. The last stroke of his spade, shovel and pick closes his income. For sickness misfortune, death and funeral expenses, there is no provision except what he has saved by the most exacting self denial of his famishing family from years of labor before. Or it is quite as likely buried at the public expense to be paid by new tax levied upon the unfortunate fellow-laborer, who will soon follow him to his humble unmarked grave in his mother earth, who generously opens her grateful breast to receive her honest son, who has toiled for his own support and the support of others who have robbed him to enthrone themselves in idleness and crime. He not only paid taxes but he earned taxes which were paid to others that they might revel in luxury upon his toil. He leaves his widow and children to grope their thorny way through the dark wilderness, which he has passed in his long and weary journey to be at rest. The bondholder with his steady and unvarying income, who lives upon the sweat from the brow of the plow holders of the land, suffers nothing, loses nothing, his interest must be paid to the last cent when it is due, with not a miss. Railroads must repair damages, be responsible for mismanagement, disastrous wrecks, but the bondholder risks nothing. All industries, production and business are taxed for his benefit, but he is taxed for nothing. The bondholders are the masters of the country and rule the Government. The people are their slaves and meekly submit to their rule.

The Augusta Constitutionalist has the following in reference to a northern allusion to the new Southern cry for the old flag and an appropriation: "Well, why not? You fellows have about $400,000,000 the start of us, and we hope to get even with you some day. In old days when we let you have the entire grab and stood upon our dignity, you laughed in your sleeves and called us 'chivalry' and 'fools' of the Don Quixote order. We are poor now but powerful. We do not stand so much on dignity as of yore. Can you blame us, then, for being such apt scholars, and combining loyalty with business?"