

CITY AND COUNTY.

BRIEF MENTION.

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Spring is not far distant. Woodhouses about empty. Cherry & Day, undertakers. Drummers becoming plentiful. For good dentistry go to Clark. Bring your chickens to Bettman's. Brown's Iron Bitters at Osburn & Co's. See James Bates' advertisement in this issue. Six pounds of coffee for \$1 at Goldsmith's. Job work a speciality at the GUARD office. Best and cheapest cigars at the VARIETY STORE. Nine pounds of coffee for \$1 at the VARIETY STORE. All kinds of grain seeds for sale at A Goldsmith's. The mill dam has been thoroughly repaired. Cheapest tobacco in town at the VARIETY STORE. The highest cash price paid for wheat by P B Dunn. Nice and cheap valentines at the VARIETY STORE. Goods delivered to any part of the city from Goldsmith's. Beefsteak is quite a luxury in Eugene; only 20 cents per pound. A warehouse is being built in the rear of Dr. Gill's drug store. Go to Swift & Co's for fresh California candies, crackers, etc. The GUARD has the largest circulation of any paper in Lane county. A fine line of silk plushes in all shades and grades at F B Dunn's. See advertisement in another column of D M Ferry & Co., seedsmen. The only place where you can always sell your chickens is at Bettman's. A full assortment of ladies, misses and childrens underwear at Bettman's. See Harrisburg and Junction business directories in another column. Freshest and finest groceries, cigars and candies at Swift & Co's. Try them. Rice, coffee and beans cheaper than anywhere in town at the VARIETY STORE. Swift & Co's goods are all new and bought for cash, and are sold cheap for cash. The State Temperance Alliance meets at Albany next Wednesday at one o'clock. Mr. Barnett says he will make it an object to anyone who will buy boots and shoes. Immense stock of crockery and glassware at greatly reduced prices at Goldsmith's. Swift & Co. sell canned goods, put up this year, as cheap as can be bought in town. The Benton Leader is a year old. May it live to celebrate many more anniversaries. A GUARD correspondent is wanted in every precinct in Lane county. Send us the news. The young ladies of East Eugene have organized a sewing circle, and meet once a week. Geo. Miller has removed his office to the building one door north of Chas. Lauer's office. Several immigrants have been in town during the past week searching for desirable farms. Several of our young people attended the masquerade ball at Harrisburg, last Wednesday evening. Mr. Wimmer, a German, died at Irving station last Monday, and was buried the following day. I will guarantee every pair of boots and shoes that is not of me. WORKING-MAN'S STORE. A nice assortment of cut patterns for ladies and childrens clothes at R G Callison & Co's, at New York rates. Seven cans tomatoes for one dollar, and other canned goods cheap, at Swift & Co's. This year's put up and fresh. Hank Vaughn has just purchased 140 head of horses of Willis Coyle in the Big Bend country.—Walls Walla Democrat. The Eleventh street fight continues. The latest is the enjoining of the Marshal from leaving the sidewalk of Hamilton's back. Mr S H Friendly will pay the highest cash market price for wheat. Give him a call before selling your grain elsewhere. It is strange how some of our half-class storekeepers attend to other men's business instead of their own. A CHICKEN. Mr. John Rhinehart has been ornamenting a number of our business houses recently with fine signs. He is a No. 1 artistic sign painter. Some excellent hop land for sale in tracts from 10 acres upward. Price from \$5 to \$12 per acre. GEO. M. MILLER. A. Leland, Grand Lecturer I O G T, lectured at the Cumberland Presbyterian church, last Tuesday evening, to a goodly-sized audience. The game law allows farmers to kill ducks at any time to protect their growing crops. The time is past, however, when quail can be killed legally. Who says times are not good in Oregon? A representative of the GUARD visited Harrisburg and Junction, last week, and returned with an over-abundance of "filthy inco". If you want bargains in boots and shoes, call around and see for yourself, as I do not want any of these goods in my new building next summer. Working-Man's Store, opposite the postoffice. "O, George!" a Eugene girl intensely exclaimed, while gazing at the comet, "how transcendently beautiful and rapturously precious it is! I should so love to study betwixt."

Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL ROOMS, EUGENE CITY, Feb. 12, 1883. Council met pursuant to ordinance. Present—Mayor Hendricks, Councilmen Edris, Lauer, Johnson, McClung and Luckey, Recorder and Marshal. Absent—Councilman Campbell. Minutes of last regular meeting and special meeting read and approved. Finance committee reported the following bills correct, and on motion, warrants were ordered drawn on the treasury for the several amounts: Springfield Mill Co, \$44 62; R G Callison, \$17 75; J F Attebery, \$3; J E Attebery, \$19 50; Lane County Mercantile Association, \$11 50; S A Ogden, \$6; L O Beckwith, \$1 75. Judiciary Committee reported progress in codifying city laws, and asked further time. Granted. On motion, the rules were suspended and a warrant ordered drawn on the treasurer for \$2 in favor of J T Witter for special police. Report of Marshal read and placed on file. The following bills were read and referred to the Finance committee: R G Callison, \$23 15; J M Sloan, \$10; J E Attebery, \$35; A Goldsmith, 50 cents; W H Alexander, \$7 50; John Smith, \$3 75; Johnson & Co, \$2 50; D R Lakin, \$15. On motion of Councilman Lauer, Councilmen McClung, Edris, Johnson and Campbell were appointed a building committee, to examine plans for an engine house and report at the next regular meeting. On motion, adjourned to meet in special session on Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at 6:30 o'clock P. M. to hear report of Judiciary committee, and examine the work of said committee in the matter of codifying the city laws. R. G. CALLISON, Recorder. February 13, 1883. All Councilmen present except Mayor Hendricks and Councilman Campbell. At this time the Judiciary committee, through Judge R S Bean, their attorney, reported their work in regard to codifying the city laws. Said laws were read section by section, for examination, and action, but the hour becoming late, the Council adjourned to Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock P. M., to finish hearing above report. February 14, 1883. Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Council finished the reading of the city laws, section by section, and adjourned sine die, and will pass the laws to final reading at the next regular meeting. R. G. CALLISON, Recorder. PREMATURE EXPLOSION.—The sad news reached us this week that another serious accident took place on the 1st of this month in tunnel No. 8, at the front, on the O. & C. R. R. extension, resulting in the death of two men named Sibley and Whitten, and the serious injury of four other men. The men had sprung a blast twice and had placed powder in the hole the third time, probably before the bottom part of the hole had been cooled, that caused the premature explosion of the powder, which proved so disastrous to those at work. One man who was struck in the head by a number of rocks, inflicting painful though not dangerous wounds, was lifted up four or five feet, and others barely escaped with their lives. Mr. Whitten's brother, who is quite an influential citizen of Sac Francisco, came up this week to take the remains of his unfortunate brother for final interment to the Golden State.—Roseburg Maildealer. FIRE ALARM.—A fire was discovered last Saturday morning on the roof of the county jail, which caught from a defective flue. An alarm was sounded and both fire companies turned out, but the Hook and Ladder Co., with a few buckets of water, d'owned the fire out before the engine "played" any water. Abrams, the prisoner, was considerably scared. Sheriff Campbell has had the old flue torn down and a new one built. DIED.—At the residence of Mr. Jesse Gross, Monday, Feb. 12, 1883, Mr. John I. Tavener, aged 73 years. Mr T recently arrived here from Decorah, Iowa, thinking a change of climate might benefit his health, but on account of his extreme old age, our exhilarating climate did not benefit him. It is said he owned considerable property in the East. NOT THAT KIND.—An exchange says: "A burglar broke into the house of an Oregon editor, and after prowling around from room to room in search of booty, and turning inside out the pockets of the slumbering moulder of public opinion, his heart was deeply touched, and he took off his overcoat and hung it over a chair back with the editor's apparel, and stole softly away."

Teachers' Institute.

The teachers' institute for the Second Judicial District, and Lane county, has been appointed to meet in Eugene City, May, 2, 3 and 4, 1883. The second district includes the counties of Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas and Lane. The teachers, school officers and friends of education in Lane county and every county in the district, are earnestly and cordially invited to attend and aid in promoting and developing the educational work in the Judicial District. A programme will be prepared and published in due time. Prominent teachers, educators and lecturers from the several counties comprising the district, and other sections of the State, will be present and take part in the exercises of the institute. Every effort will be made to make each session eminently interesting, instructive and successful. The several lines of travel will make the usual reduction to all persons attending the institute. Several ladies and gentlemen of Eugene City have been invited and have consented to act on committees of arrangements, entertainment, music, etc., and will labor for the promotion and efficiency of the institute. County Supt. A. W. Patterson, of Eugene City, Chairman of the Executive Committee, will have in charge the general work of the institute in Lane county. THE WHEAT. We have interviewed farmers from nearly every part of the county, during the past week, in regard to the effects of the recent cold weather on the fall and winter sown grain. Nearly all of them are unanimous in saying that the grain is badly damaged, and many think that the chances are that a great amount of it will be a total loss, and necessitate sowing with spring grain. But it is admittedly a fact that the damage to the growing grain cannot be told for a certainty for several days yet. If the fall grain is nearly all killed, it will fall very hard on our farmers, as they had an unusually large amount of acreage sown, and spring seed wheat is very scarce. We have heard of seed wheat changing hands already at \$1 per bushel. We earnestly hope the damage is not as great as many of our farmers have estimated. CHANGE OF FIRM.—Mr. John W. Bristow has purchased of Mr. Robert Hays his interest in the drug store formerly owned by Hays & Luckey, and heretofore the firm will be known as Luckey & Bristow. Both are gentlemen of sterling worth, and will, no doubt, retain the large patronage so liberally accorded to the old firm. Dr W V Henderson will be retained in the prescription department. Mr. H. is a first class pharmacist, and is deservedly popular. UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT.—The senior class of the State University have chosen Wallace Condit valedictorian and Miss Emma Cornelius salutatorian. Senator Slater, through his son, W. T. Slater, kindly offered to secure from Mount Vernon an elm for a class tree if the seniors desired such one. The class unanimously accepted the offer, and have written to the Senator requesting him to forward it immediately. ENGINE COMPANY.—The following were elected members of Eugene Engine Co. at its last meeting: Bob Walkshrip, T. M. Hamilton, Geo. Alexander, Ed. Howe, Robt. Pratt, Geo. Nelson, D. McGee, Joe Skelton, Elroy Coffin, L. D. Smith, Chas. Croner, Jr., and Geo. Keeney. Ralph Brumley and Dow Huff were elected torch boys. E. G. Clark, J. R. Campbell and Alce Cockerline were appointed committee on ball. OREGON SHORT LINE R. R.—We clip the following from an editorial in this week's Oregonian. We hope it may prove true: "The Short Line will probably come through the Middle Fork or Pengra pass, and thus will not find it necessary to go far away from a direct line to the sea. And instead of hunting routes where competition is light, railroads hunt routes where business is heavy." SEATING CARNIVAL.—A grand skating carnival will be given at Lane's Hall, Thursday evening, February 22d, 1883. Admission, 50 cents. Four elegant prizes will be given by the management, for which every holder of a ticket of admission will have an even chance of drawing. If you want to pass a pleasant evening, be sure and attend. EMERALDA TROUPE.—This splendid dramatic troupe will appear in this city, at Lane's Hall, Monday evening, February 26. The company has been playing at the Baldwin Theater, San Francisco, for the past few weeks. See advertisement in another column. LECTURE.—Lieut. Fred Schwatka will deliver a lecture at the M E Church, Thursday evening, Feb 22d, for the benefit of the new college journal. The lecture is one of national repute, and we hope our citizens will generally attend the lecture. The price of admission will be 30 cents. GRAND BALL.—Eugene Engine Co. No. 1 has resolved to give a grand ball, Friday evening, March 9th. Our citizens should give the boys a rousing crowd, if they desire having a good time. See advertisement in another column. Full particulars next week. MINING.—Lem Lawrence, formerly of this city, has gone to California, and is mining at Ivanpah, San Bernardino county. We are indebted to Mr. J. W. Lawrence for a piece of very rich silver ore from the mine at that place, owned by his four sons. ARM DISLOCATED.—Robert Hays fell on the ice, last week, and dislocated his arm at the shoulder joint. He suffered very little from its effects, and has been able to attend to business all week. BLASTING.—A large number of employees of the O. & C. R. R. are busily engaged blasting rock out at McVeigh point, to be used at the Harrisburg bridge. SCHOOL CLOSED.—The academy at Drains station has closed, and the Principal, Mr. E. P. Henderson, has returned home to this city. LICENSE RAISED.—The Common Council of this city have raised the saloon license to \$150 per annum. For Dexter!

Smithfield Items.

February 12, 1883. Ira Chamberlain killed a large panther last week. Matthew Smith has turned his sheep out at last. Geo Moorhouse recently killed a spotted deer macked with panther eyes, ears and nose. Jas Bates and Geo Graham, of Smithfield, have gone to the coast trapping, by way of Lake creek. Henry Smith, of Smithfield, fell on the ice, while duck hunting, and came near breaking his left arm. REGULAR. February 14, 1883. Times very dull. Disagreeable weather. Everybody is expecting a valentine. Mr. J. C. Branstetter killed 146 ducks near here recently. Hard to beat! Messrs T J Duckworth and J W Parker were visiting friends here last Sunday. The young people have enjoyed a pleasant time on the Long Tom skating rink, whilst it ran. Mr. J. S. Inman's mile team ran away recently, but did no damage worthy of mention. Mr. Thos. Bryan and wife, of this vicinity, expect to return to Harrisburg, as soon as the weather moderates. Hurrah for the Long Tom boys! When they go skating they put on more style than a French dancing master. Messrs C L Baker, Marion Kent and Henry Smith received some very sore bruises by falling on the recent ice. L. J. Davis' horses took a spin one day this week, scattering the hay and wagon to the "four winds." Damage, slight. Lost Creek Items. February 12, 1883. Mr. Perceval has had two horses die this winter. David Matthews killed another large panther last week. Miss Minnie Adlington has purchased a new sewing machine. Dr. Weber has had a good practice in the valley this winter. What makes John so witty? Because he thinks he has an I—da. Mr. Backus has been gone from home for several days. Guess he is hunting a wife. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ronney expect to take a visit East when the railroad is completed. Robert Williams raised the frame for his saw mill last Friday, and will have the saw running in a week or two. One of our young men took quite a warm bath the other day in Lost Creek, when the thermometer was three degrees above zero. Miss Effie Williams has been at her brother Will's, on the McKenzie, since December. We hear she is about to captivate some of those "old bachelors." A dance was given at C. L. Williams' last Friday night. All enjoyed a good time. One of the older gentlemen was chosen "for a dance" by a lady, but failed, so she had to get another partner. Too bad, Uncle Dan, to serve the ladies so. Not long since, a young man "of Pleasant Hill" came to the valley and wanted some of our young ladies to attend a party; but as the creek was not fordable, he got a team on that side to take the ladies, and when all were in the wagon, he found there was no room for him, so he had to walk. But on returning, he thought some could walk a part of the way, especially one, who had to continue the way alone. Be careful, boys, and don't take more girls than you can take care of. LOVE STAR. Cottage Grove Items. [FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.] COTTAGE GROVE, Feb. 14, 1883. Feed is becoming scarce here and high priced. Most of the potatoes here froze during the recent cold snap. Mr. Hunt, the school teacher, has moved to Sinalaw, where he contemplates teaching. Snow fell Tuesday morning to the depth of about three inches, and about two inches this morning. Mrs. Medley, wife of J. M. Medley, has been very sick for some time, but is now improving. Mr. Joshua Rouse runs his saw mill both day and night, sawing railroad ties. He has two sets of hands. Mr. Charley Russel, of Sinalaw, was here yesterday. He said he was going to have a valentine party to-night. Mr. Wm. George met with a serious accident last Thursday night at Rouse's saw mill, by falling about 15 feet and striking a beam, cutting his head in a frightful manner. When picked up he was insensible. A doctor was telegraphed for to Oakland, who came and dressed the wounds; some fear was entertained of brain fever. APEX. Dexter Items. DEXTER, Feb. 14, 1883. "Beautiful snow." Miss Rose Hausaker is at home again. Fears are entertained that the very severe frosts have played and havoc with wheat. Miss Hortense Parker is again a resident of Dexter, after an absence of several months at Eugene. Mr. Chas. Williams, one of our best young men, is attending a Business College in Portland. Mr. E B Handsaker has received a remunerative situation as telegraph operator for the O & C R R Co. at Comstock's. The many friends of Mrs. H S Williams will regret to learn of her indisposition, and all unite in hoping she may soon recover. Messrs Parker & Parker shipped another car load of wheat to Portland recently. They have made into bacon this season, 125 head of hogs; and S Handsaker has packed 10 head of 'Iah for Dexter! Coe,

STATE UNIVERSITY.

A column devoted to the interests of the Laurean and Eutaxian Literary Societies, and the State University. EDNA CORNELIUS, EDITOR. Brevities. Prof. of Geology: "What is the origin of the word Laurentian?" Student: "Lauren!" Since the race froze over, it seems that there has been a fallen "Angell" in attendance at the University. We have been asked several times why our column appears but once in two weeks. We can only answer by saying that such is the custom of our society, and we must not depart from it. The selection from Macbeth read at the last meeting of the social club was well rendered. Mr. E. E. Burke personated Macbeth; Mrs. Judge Bean, Lady Macbeth; and Miss Nettie McCormack, other characters. At the last session of the Eutaxians, the question was debated, "Should the State University have a college journal?" After an able discussion, the President rendered her decision in favor of the affirmative. Not long since a lone senior was seen slowly and thoughtfully meandering along the icy surface of the mill-race, when he suddenly exhibited most wonderful humility. Doubtless, some painful emotion was then crossing the threshold of his mind. We learn from astronomy that Alpha Centauri, one of the brightest stars of the southern hemisphere of the heavens, is distant from us twenty quadrillions of miles; that this distance is so immense that a ray of light, moving at the rate of 192,000 miles per second, requires 3 1/2 years to travel from this star to the earth. Alpha Centauri is believed to be our nearest neighbor among the fixed stars. Senior Proceedings. The seniors have chosen the elm as their class-tree, which Senator Slater sends from Mount Vernon. On a second invitation, Henry Hubbard Pierce has consented to write the class-tree poem. Was it the honor in a repeated invitation, or the charms of our secretary, that led him to accept? Laurean Election. Last Friday night the Laureans elected the officers for the ensuing term. They are as follows: President, Edgar McClure; Vice President, W. H. McGhee; Secretary, Herbert Johnson; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Shinn; Treasurer, O. A. Condit; Editor, M. A. Miller; Critic, J. N. Goitra; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Barklow. Winter. "Humanity, delighting to behold A fond reflection of her own decay, Hath painted Winter like a traveler old, Propped on a staff, and, through the sullen day, In hooded mantle, limping o'er the plain, As though his weakness were disturbed by pain; Or, if a juster fancy should allow An undisputed symbol of command, The chosen sceptre is a withered bough Infirmitly grasped within a palsied hand." Correspondence. One of our former graduates submits the following: CHIPS FROM BLUE MOUNTAINS. Jack Frost out in all his glory. Sleigh-bells make merry music. Mercury fell to forty-four below zero on the 19th of January. About 18 inches of snow. Dancing and sleighing, business of the day. Oh, the bliss of sleigh-riding with the mercury below zero! Can you imagine it, you Luke-warm Web-footer? Diphtheria and measles keep the schools closed, and scary folks at home. Otherwise, we are all well and happy! NATIVE. Campus Shade Trees. It seems that the seniors are the only ones who noticed the invitation of the Board of Regents to plant shade trees in the campus. But on the day appointed, the above-named class assembled, equipped with spade and shovel and with ar eye decidedly to business. The ground for the grove was laid out in a double semi-circle, which one of the young ladies (and she is pardonable) thought would be "such a splendid place for a moonlight promenade." The planting of the trees afforded the class an opportunity of practicing for commencement, and they improved it to quite an advantage. Miss Mae Underwood, by request of the class, of which she was formerly a member, also planted a tree with them. We will not tell that on this occasion, one of the young gentlemen treated the class to peanuts and almonds, for that is a secret which belongs to the class alone. Open Session. Two weeks ago, the Laureans again entertained the Eutaxians and others with their eloquence. Society was called to order by Pres Taylor, who, of course, exhibited his usual composure. Mr. Turner Oliver favored the listeners with a comic declamation. He seems to know full well how to call the cattle home, and also what persuasions are necessary when milking-time comes. He also knows how, when sleep is striving to refresh the weary body, the mind takes its flight over the paths and occupations of the day. Mr. Oliver has a good voice, and speaks in a decidedly pleasing manner. After recess, the following question was chosen for debate two weeks hence: "Resolved, That the study of the classics affords greater means for the discipline of the mind than that of mathematics." Messrs. Wheeler and Neville were appointed as leaders on this debate. Mr. Wheeler chose the affirmative, with W. I. Vawter as his colleague; Mr. Neville, the negative, and as his colleague, T. Oliver. Next in order came the debate. Question, "Should the U. S. increase her standing army and navy?" This was supported on the affirmative by George Hill, J. B. Whitney and S. E. McClure; and assailed on the negative by J. N. Goitra, H. H. Hendricks and M. A. Miller. The debate was highly interesting, and showed a good deal of solid study. Both sides acquitted themselves so well that it is hard to designate which of the two deserve the laurels. It was decided, however, in favor of the negative. "Queque" informs us that

the reason the leader on the affirmative produced such a splendid speech was that one of the teachers in the public school threw her whole weight (200 lbs. av.) into it. And from a remark made at the social club, we have reason to believe that there is more truth than poetry in the assertion. Upon the invitation of the President, several speeches were made by the different visitors. The President of the Eutaxians being absent, the Vice President made a few appropriate remarks, stating to the Laurean editor that she hoped that in the not far distant future the Eutaxians would have grit enough to return the compliment. Prof. McElroy made a pointed speech, which was full both of wit and good advice. He said that the debate called to mind the Indian troubles, and informed the society that he had no cause of fear of the Indians, since he was already scalped. This remark needed no explanation, for the Prof. had his hat off. Prof. Fenton and Hon. R. B. Cochran also addressed the society. After some discussion on parliamentary laws, the society adjourned. Personal. Jeff Smith has returned to Portland. Geo. Fisher paid Oregon's metropolis a visit this week. Mr. Henry Heatherly, of Colfax, visited Eugene the first of the week. Mr. Todd Blinchart has been engaged to teach the Coburg public school. Harry Miller passed down the railroad one day this week from the front. Mr. Geo. S. Washburne and wife paid Junction City a short visit this week. Mrs. R. Clawson spoke to a large audience at the M E Church, last Sunday evening. Mr. James H. Evans, Register of the Lakeview land office, is in Eugene visiting friends. Messrs H. C. Humphrey, W. M. Renshaw and Hugh Renshaw went to Portland one day this week. Mr. Geo. Nolan has formed a copartnership with Mr. Geo. Barnes, of Prineville, in the practice of law. On account of sickness, Prof. Fenton was unable to hold school in his department last Monday and Tuesday. We received a pleasant call this week from Mr. John Harris, of Linn county. We learn that he intends moving here next fall. Mr. Ed. Underwood, of Eastern Oregon, son of the late D C Underwood, was in town this week, visiting relatives and friends. Dr. Hemenway, formerly of this city, who has been post surgeon at Fort Kamath for two years past, is succeeded by Dr. Munday. Mr. Geo. S. Kincaid, junior publisher of the Journal, is confined to his room with sickness. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery. County Assessor McPherson was in town this week and made us a pleasant call. He will commence his annual work about the 15th of March. Prof. Condon lectured at Portland yesterday evening for the benefit of the Congregational church. His subject was, "The Development Theory." Mr. Frank Abell and wife, of Portland, have been in town several days during the past week, visiting their son, who is attending the State University. Mr. B. J. Pengra, of Springfield, who has been East on business connected with the Oregon Short Line Railroad, has returned home. He came overland from California. Reopened. Mr. Mark Barnett, the enterprising boot and shoe merchant, has reopened his stock in the building one door north of Chas. Horn's store, and is now prepared to sell at prices that defy competition. He has leased one of the brick buildings soon to be erected in Eugene, and intends remaining here permanently. Mr. Barnett has already secured a large trade, and is pleased to announce to his many patrons that he will sell the present stock on hand at cost prices, although one of the finest in the city. He has one of the largest stocks ever brought to any interior town in Oregon, lying on the wharf at Portland. Give him a call immediately if you want rare bargains. Real Estate Transfers. Mr. J. M. Horn sold his farm of 104 acres, near this city, one day this week, to Mr. John Harris, of Linn county. The price paid was \$50 per acre. A good price. Mr. Scott, late of Missouri, this week, purchased six lots in the eastern part of town. Mr. Potter has purchased from Mr W T Osburn the property just east of the public school building. It would appear that a real genuine real estate boom has struck property in this place. To the Public. Mr. Mark T. Barnett wishes to thank the public for their favor in helping him to save some of the stock of boots and shoes in the late fire. Fire! Fire! Fire! \$2,000 worth of boots and shoes, slightly damaged, which will be sold off at cost for the next 40 days. WORKING-MAN'S STORE. CARP.—James Carwell, of the United States fish commission, has arrived, having in charge 1500 young carp for this State and Washington Territory. He left Washington, D. C., Jan. 24th, with 19,000 carp, from five to six months old, for distribution in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington. The fish made the journey in common gallon tin buckets, each containing 20 carp. They were sent out by Prof. Baird, of the U. S. fish commission. They are about three inches in length and look hearty after their trip across the continent. Those who take them are required to sign an agreement to place them in rivers and streams and protect them as much as possible. County Clerk Ware and John Cogswell, the only applicants from this place, received the first of the week, a can each, containing twenty fish. They arrived in first class order. POSTPONED.—The public school entertainment has been postponed until Friday evening, Feb 23d.