CITY AND COUNTY.

BRIEF MENTION.

1884.

Leap year.

Regular Webfoot weather.

See new advertisements in another column.

Not many New Year's calls made this year.

Eugene Engine Company gave a drill New Years day.

More shelving is being put into Wilkin's drug store.

The bicyclists failed to put in an appearance last Saturday.

E H & L Co will meet in their hall next Monday evening.

Job work executed with dispatch at the GUARD office.

Dry goods—something new. Call and see them at Friendly's.

McCornack & Collier have had a neat show window erected.

There is a full set of Mrs Holmes' novels at McCornack & Collier's.

A fine line of silk plushes in all shades and grades at F B Dunn's.

The only place where you can always sell your chickens is at Bettman's.

A full assortment of ladies, misses and children underware at Bettman,s.

A postoffice key lost. Will the finder please leave the same at this office.

Freshest and finest groceries, cigars and candies at Swift & Co's. Try them

Prepare for a rainy Sunday by getting a good story at McCornack & Collier's.

Mr N J Taylor, the dentist, has moved into his new rooms in Walton's brick.

If you want a good sewing machine at reasonable prices, call on E R Luckey & Co.

McCornack and Collier have just received a large invoice of school books and school supplies.

The circulation of the GUARD is rapidly increasing. Advertisers should make a note of this.

Mr Garrett Bogart was the only charter member of Spencer Butte Lodge present, at the installation.

The largest and finest lot of gents, boys and youths clothing and underwear, just received at Friendly's.

Mr S H Friendly has just received the largest invoice of carpets ever brought to Eugene City. Give him a call.

Mr Henry Mulkey has returned to Crescent City, but intends selling his interests there and moving to this county.

Some beautiful town lots nicely located for sale cheap. Call early and get a bargain.

GEO M. MILLER,
Real Estate Agent.

The GUARD office intends adding steam and a power press by January 1, 1885. I hope all our subscribers will respond promptly this year, so that we will be able to buy the needed machinery and pay the cash therefor.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is recommended by physicians of the greatest eminence on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds and coughs, and all pulmonary disorders. It affords prompt relief in every case. No family should ever be without it.

Health is impossible when the blood is impure, thick, and sluggish, or when it is thin and impoverished. Under such conditions boils, pimples, headaches, neuralgia, rheumatism, and one disease after another is developed. Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and it will make the blood pure, rich, warm and vitalizing.

Having lately issued a circular descriptive of Lane county of 15,000 copies, I can furnish the same free to parties wishing to send them East to friends. They furnish more information, such as the immigrant wants, than you could write in a letter of 20 pages. I am also operating with E. J. Haight & Co., of Portland, Oregon, the most active, energetic and thoroughly advertised firms on the Pacific Coast. Parties having real estate to sell will find it to their advantage to place the same in my hands, as I am constantly increasing my advertisements, and am fully determined that Lane county shall have her share of the immigration bound westward.

GEO. M. MILLER.

LOCAL MARKET REPORT.

EUGENE, Dec. 28, 1883.

Wheat—91 to 92 cts on board cars.
Oats—50 cts nett.
Hops—18 cts per lb.
Sides—10@12½.
Hams—12@14.
Shoulders—8@10.
Lard—10@12.
Butter—35@40.
Eggs—40 cts per doz.

Personal.

Mr J L Rumsey is in town.

Mr Geo Thurston paid Eugene a visit one day this week.

Miss Irene Dunn has been visiting relatives and friends in this city during the past week.

Miss Laura Goltra, of McMinnville, passed New Years in this city visiting relatives and friends.

Brevities.

For good dentistry go to Clark.

Bring your chickens to Bettman's.

Swift & Co. will pay the highest market price for chickens.

Go to Swift & Co.'s for fresh California candies, crackers, &c.

The largest stock of carpet, oil cloth and matting just received at Friendly's.

MARRIED.—In this city, at the residence of J J Walton, Jr. Jan 2, 1884, by Rev W G Simpson, Mr Chas Cole, of Portland and Miss Iula Walton, of Eugene. A large number of the bride's relatives were present. After the marriage ceremony was performed the happy couple left on the north bound train for Portland, where they will hereafter reside. We wish the young couple a long and pleasant matrimonial life. Compliments received

Masquerade Ball.

The masquerade ball given by the Knights of Pythias, of this city, Monday evening, was largely attended, and proved a very enjoyable affair. The following is a list of the maskers:

LADIES.

Mrs Melson	Biddy
Fanny Croner	Star Equestrian
C L Johnson	Old Lady
A Withrow	Night
Belle Stevens	White Page
Lenna Morris	America
L E Cook	Circassian Girl
E Huff	Domino
N Luckey	Tambourine Girl
Hattie Sloan	Tambourine Girl
Alice Davis	Sailor Girl
O A Forrest	Fire Girl
J Cheshire	Queen of Rose
Hattie Parsons	Moonlight
Clara Seavey	Domino
Maggie Croner	Domino
Cora Goldsmith	Domino
A O'Brien	Witch
E A Coleman	Red, White and Blue
Lillie Wyatt	Huntress
M E Gray	Domino
Nellie Tompkins	School Girl
Barbara Hyman	Fireman
Minnie Durant	Red, White and Blue
J Horn	Frost
Minnie Moore	Kitchen Girl
Lucy Long	School Girl
Mrs Croner	Domino
Louise Gray	Circus Girl
L E Hayfield	Evening Star
Altia Hicks	Cousin Tilda
C W Nelson	Ballet Girl
Belle Hammett	Gaiety
L Luckey	Spanish Princess
Fannie Huitt	Snowflake
Ella Gray	Domino
Hattie Johnson	Indian Princess
Mattie Dickenson	Belle of the Ball
R Davis	School Girl
Hattie Smith	Peasant Girl
S Renshaw	Butterfly
Liddia McGhee	Arqui'lo Octavio
J B Rhinehart	Domino
Minnie Abrams	Queen of Clubs
Lizzie Barger	Folly
Ora McCary	School Girl
Julia Simmons	School Girl
Allie Norman	Old Woman
Emma Hembree	Old Woman
Hattie Dickenson	Queen of Diamonds
S C Taylor	Old Lady
Elma Brown	Ivy
L Kincaid	Witch
Osie Walton	Pen Wiper

GENTLEMEN.

Jas Abrams	Chinaman
D E Roe	Demon
G S Kincaid	Domino
E R Luckey	Domino
J S Luckey	Brother Johns n
W Smith	Negro
Jerry Horn	Page
J M Hicks	Wamlo
Frank Stewart	Boot Black
Robert Day	Domino
E Cleaver	Mulligan Dude
Chas Nelson	Stage Driver
Frank Dr n	Soldier
J W Clark	Dude
Chas Brady	Domino
W H Alexander	Negro
Sam Goldsmith	Domino
Aaron Larch	Domino
Thos Luckey	Fireman
A P Churchill	English Coachman
W McGhee	Negro
W C Seavey	Base Ballist
—— Hicks	Shoofly
Dan Linton	E H & L Co
Lewis Belshaw	Nihill
Robt Johnson	Dandy Negro
Grant Osburn	Chris Kaegle
I Bristow	Domino
Nels Roney	"
J C Watkins	"
John Renshaw	"
S H Forrest	"
J C Humphrey	"
W H Parsons	"
F S Belshaw	"
P J Smith	"
Walter Brown	"
Geo Smith	Eugene Dude
Cliff Cleaver	Mulligan Dude
Jas Bean	Mulligan Dude
Geo Melson	Old Man
J C Fletcher	Spanish Desperado
W V Henderson	Haji Ali
R Wyatt	Fireman
M S Wallis	Dude
J D Fenton	Eugene Guard
Jas McClaren	Visitor
Jas Noland	Summer Coon
C L Winter	English Couchman

Cottage Grove Items.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

Jan. 2, 1884.

Happy New Year to all.

The coyotes are still killing sheep west of here.

There were quite a number of Creswell folks here Christmas.

The ball was largely attended Christmas night, so we are informed.

Mr J A Babb lectured here Tuesday and Wednesday last, in the evening.

Mrs C E Byars was visiting friends in Siuslaw during the holidays,

Mr J M Medley is down near Springfield hewing railroad ties for Whipple Bros.

The water was at its highest the 25th, the railroad track being washed out below here.

Mr E W Whipple has been confined to his room for several days on account of ill health.

The high water brought the salmon up, and quite a number have been caught by our citizens.

The e was a party at Mr Ed Cathcart's Monday night to ease out the old year and welcome the new.

Mr C B Allen arrived here from The Dalles last week. He left The Dalles at midnight and arrived here at 3 o'clock the following afternoon.

APEX.

CHRISTMAS TREE.—A Christmas tree was presented at the Spencer Creek school house. It is said that the tree contained about $300 worth of presents. Mr J P Calloway acted as Santa Claus. A very pleasant evening was spent.

TO CREDITORS.—Notice is given that all accounts owing me must be settled by Feb 1, 1884, as I intend closing out my business. All accounts unsettled at that time will be given an attorney for collection.

J. W. MATLOCK.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Eugene City, Dec 30, 1883, by Wm Houston, Mr Joseph Wooley and Miss Minnie Hembree.

TO SALEM.—County Treasurer Gray took to Salem last Thursday $16,000 to pay on Lane county's taxes due the State, leaving about $6,200 due.

To J. W Duncan.

DEAR SIR:—Your proposals for a contest of which raises the best wheat, you or myself, is unwise and too much complicated with millers and bakers to ever make a true and satisfactory contest to both parties. Permit me to explain why it would be so: In the first place one of the flouring mills might have a large percentage over the other by having more new and improved machinery and better facilities throughout for making better flour, hence you will see at once the test of the wheat in that case would not be equal. Further, it would be very doubtful if a Portland baker could be engaged to take that trouble without considerable pay. Now this contest of which is the best wheat can be made very simple. All experts as judges and buyers of wheat must understand the best grades; therefore the flouring process naturally belongs to the millers and the bread making to the baker, hence whenever experts buy wheat of first quality, they consider it the best wheat for all flouring purposes. Now if your wheat was considered as good for flouring purposes as the Willamette valley wheat, Portland buyers would pay as much for it, but we frequently see it quoted in the Portland papers at from seven to eight cents per cental lower than the Willamette valley wheat, which proves at once that it is not so considered, and that is where the shoe pinches the most. Now, if you are willing at the present time to make a fair and square exhibit against my wheat, I am ready and willing at any hour, and I will give you a much greater privilege than you allow me, for you say in your communication that the wheat must be grown by me; while I will say to you, if you believe that your own raising is not good enough for the contest, I will give you the privilege of getting it from any part of the world, for I am well aware that you have none in your county fit for the contest, for I have never seen what I would call a good sample of wheat raised east of the Cascade mountains. I am aware this is saying a good deal, but I mean just what I say, and if you believe you have wheat on hand now (the amount for the contest), or can get it, I have a peck already deposited at the GUARD office, in Eugene City, which I intend shall stand there as the best wheat—against yours and against all nations; and I propose the contest shall be as follows: Whitest in color, inside and out; thinest bran, largest grains, more even in size and better filled—it takes these six qualities to make No 1 wheat—and must be so considered by the examining committee, and the sample having the greatest number of these six qualities shall be considered the best wheat, and I am willing on my part of choosing but one of the judges and giving you the privilege of choosing the other two, and you may choose your father-in-law, Mr Wallis, if you wish, or any other farmer you may deem best, provided they are experts in the business. If you are not prepared to make the contest at the present time, I will meet you at the Oregon State Fair next Fall with one-half of a bushel, to be decided upon by the Committee appointed for that purpose, under the same rulings as above mentioned, and the committee must put their signatures to whatever their decision may be, at either place of contest. If you will make the contest at the present time in Eugene City, at the GUARD office where my wheat is deposited, I will pay the freight bill on yours so that it shall not cost you a cent; and if in your opinion your wheat of last year is not good enough for the present contest, I will give you the privilege of getting it anywhere in your own county, and if you wish more scope, I will give you all the latitude east of the Cascades you want, but you must say where it was grown. Now, Mr Duncan, I mean business, and this is as fair a proposition as I can make; if it does not suit you we will say nothing further in regard to the matter.

Very Respectfully,
GEO. BELSHAW.

Correspondence.

JUNCTION CITY, OR., Jan. 1, 1884.

EDITOR GUARD:—As the time is near at hand when we will again be called upon to select our county officers, we should begin to look around for suitable persons to fill the various stations. If candidates for the different places could be pointed out and an examination of their qualifications and record made in time, unworthy aspirants would seldom, if ever, be brought out. With this short introduction, permit me to present for the consideration of the people and the Democratic convention, for the office of County Commissioner your distinguished fellow townsman, Dr Abram Sharples. He is unquestionably a man of broad intellect and wide information, and as thoroughly posted on the question of political economy as any man of knowledge. While not a partisan, in the strict sense of the term, yet he is in hearty accord with the Democracy on all national questions. Independent of all citizens and of all politics, to a certain extent, he would in the office of commissioner be the right man in the right place. Firm and resolute in the practice of equity and right, he is broadminded enough to do exact justice to friend and foe. The hitherto prevailing opinion that the commissioners should live in the country is nonsense and bosh. Men of capability who have interests at stake are the men we want, no matter where they are domiciled. As a financier, the Doctor ranks among the first men of the county, and with such men in positions of honor and trust, the taxpayers may feel assured that the hard earned money wrung from them in the way of taxes will not be squandered for partisan puposes.

TAXPAYER.

THE MORTGAGE TAX LAW.—The Dundee Mortgage Trust and Investment Company has entered suit in the United State Circuit Court against school districts numbers one and eighteen, Multnomah county, and the Sheriffs of Multnomah, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Douglas, Lane, Linn, Marion, Polk, Umatilla, Union, Washington and Yamhill counties, to restrain them from collecting all taxes on mortgages under the new mortgage tax law. The defendants are also ordered to show cause why a perpetual injunction should not be granted.

Smithfield Items.

SMITHFIELD, Dec 31, 1883.

Freezing commenced.

Dance at Amos Richardson Christmas was a pleasant affair as usual.

Mr Dwight Carlin of Fern Ridge cut his foot very bad with an axe; wood scarce.

The glass ball contest here on the 29th inst: was a lively affair; there were fifteen contestants for the three prizes. Each contestant placed one dollar in the box and prizes were divided as follows: One-half of all to the best shot or man breaking the greatest number of balls; two-thirds of balance to the next and balance to the last. S W Harpole and Chas Bales tied on second and third; the tie was shot off, Bales winning second prize. Thos Duckworth, Isaac Kent and Thos Gibson were chosen as referees. T M Gibson also acted as scorer; Gus Bryan trap puller and a good one too; Henry Bales trap loader. Several bets of coin were made that no person would break ten balls in succession. All being ready the scorer called the first man to the score and the contest began witnessed by many of the citizens of this vicinity and by a good number of ladies. All the dogs in the neighborhood I think were there; if there are any more bring them next time, boys.

Seth Harpole	0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1—7
Frank Frates	0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0—6
James Bales	1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 1—5
Geo Gibson	0 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 1—6
J A Gibson	0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0—4
Andrew A Gibson	0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 1 1—5
Jas Richardson	0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0—6
Nate Purkeson	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0—2
Louis W Gibson	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1—10
Henry T Smith	0 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0—4
C W Bales	1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1—7
Polk Harpole	1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1—4
Dal Lingo	0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0—3
Geo Beck	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1
Jason Richardson	0 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0—4

REGULAR.

Dexter Items.

DEXTER, Dec. 27, 1883.

The Misses Handsaker's are at home from school enjoying the holidays.

Mr Thomas Barbre has been quite sick, but is recovering.

Uncle Dan Hunsaker raised the two "boss" cabbage heads this season.

Mr H L Hanna and wife, of The Dalles, are visiting friends here.

Our Christmas was rather moist, but the grass and grain is growing almost like Spring.

The Christmas tree was a success. Besides the many presents for old and young, with which the tree was loaded, we had vocal and instrumental music, reading of the Christmas Banner, by the editor, Mr Thos Hunsaker, which was entertaining and amusing.

Died, on Sunday, Dec 24, 1883, of quick consumption, Mrs Anna Wilson, wife of E L Wilson, youngest daughter of Uncle Thomas and Aunt Eliza Matthews, aged 32 years. Only a few short weeks ago your correspondent noticed their nuptials in the GUARD. She was beloved by all.

M. A. S.

Latham Items.

LATHAM, January 2, 1884.

1884.

Happy New Year.

Cold weather this week.

An oyster supper at Mr Jerry Taylor's last Friday evening.

Rev Miller, of Drain, preached at the Hebron church last Sunday.

Mr Leonard Perkins and wife spent their Christmas at Drain, visiting friends.

Old Mr Garoutte, of upper Coast Fork, is quite sick. Sent to Oakland for Dr Shambrook.

Mrs O R Bean and little Stella, of Eugene, have been visiting at Mr Sharp's. They returned Tuesday.

Mr G E Wagner and family, relatives of Mr Henry Brown, started Tuesday morning for The Dalles.

Misses Elzina Taylor, Ida Taylor and Tillie Powell, left Tuesday morning for Eugene to attend school.

Messrs Elmer Emerson, John Taylor, Johnny Powell and a Mr Barklow, who have been spending their vacation among us, returned this week to their scholastic duties.

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Walterville Items.

Dec 25, 1884.

A happy New Year to all.

Plenty of rain, and mud, and snow.

Mr Smeed has moved into his new dwelling house, and feels quite comfortable.

Mrs Eugene Finn is improving fast, and will be able to be around in a few days.

Mr and Mrs Wilcox, of Camp Creek, was on the McKenzie visiting a few days ago.

Mr D J Copenhaver, who has been quite sick for some time, is still confined to his bed but is improving slowly.

SNOW DROP.

ELECTED AND INSTILLED.—The following officers were duly elected and installed by P M, J C Campbell, as officers of Junction City Lodge, No 58, A F & A M, on the 27th inst, as follows: T A Milliorn, W M; E Van Vranken, L W; R M Mulholland; J Wortman, Treas; J C Campbell, Sec; W L Lee, L D; J J Butler, J D; J T Kirk, S S; Henry Moore, J S; R H Howard, Tyler.

VALUE OF ADVERTISING:—In the issue of the GUARD of December 29th, two estray notices were published, and before a week had elapsed word was left at this office that the horses described had been found. One of the horses had strayed nearly ten miles east, while the other had wandered nerrly twelve miles northwest. Who says that the GUARD is not a valuable advertising medium.

THANKS—The committee on entertainment from the Engine Company desire to express their thanks to Prof Gunn, Mr Clark of Springfield, and the quartette, who so kindly assisted in the entertainment on Thursday evening.

DIED.—In Lost Valley at the residence of her father, T Matthews, December 23, 1883, Mrs Annie Wilson, aged 32 years and one month.

STATE UNIVERSITY.

A column devoted to the interests of the Laurean and Eutaxian Literary Societies, and the State University.

ANNA PATTERSON.....EDITOR.

Initiatory.

By the recent election of the Eutaxians the honor of editing this column has been bestowed upon us. In assuming its duties we confess it is not without some misgivings, as this is our initiatory step. To entertain readers with items of interest, pertaining to the University, may require other abilities than we possess. But we will say while making the effort, it will be our aim to be as general as possible and as generous as may be. Much naturally comes within the scope: The growing prosperity of our State institution, the able discharge of duties by its professors, and not the least, the exemplary deportment of those in attendance.

We conceive ourselves to be a little army of co-laborers in the fond pursuit of an education, immersed in our cares and our sympathies, our hopes and our responsibilities. We have our recitations to prepare, our reviews to make and other duties to perform, not without due interest and profit to all. Then we have our varied relations and usual incidents connected with our societies, our sham trials and our regular debates, our elections and our reunions. All in all, are we not truly a little republic, isolated from the busy world around, and not unlike it, chronicle our events and prepare the newsy column for readers.

These are some of the views entertained, and in conjunction with the Laurean Editor, some of the duties that seem to devolve upon us. With due courage and consistent care, we enter upon them with a hope to interest all, while we receive the usual kind indulgence of readers.

Brief Items.

What did Santa Claus bring you?

Carrie Walker has finished her school and returned to her home in Springfield.

Debate was postponed at the last meeting of the society on account of election.

Edgar McClure, principal of the Junction school, visited his home during the week.

We notice the marriage of Dr J C Whitaker of the class of 78, to Miss Fanny Reeves, of Jefferson.

Lena Holt and Eva Shinn signed the constitution at the last meeting of the Eutaxians.

Prof Lambert's resignation was not accepted by the Board of Regents. He continues as before.

The Eutaxians have a membership of forty-five and a regular attendance of thirty members.

Mary Wallis, who went on the Pioneers' excursion, stopped on her way home, at Berkeley, California, to take a course in music.

Albert Wright, an old time student, spent the holidays in Eugene visiting his sisters, who are attending the University.

We accept the olive branch of peace extended us so kindly by the Laurean Editor, and would return him our sympathy if we thought he needed it.

W H McGhee, a prominent member of the Junior class, has been obliged to give up his studies on account of ill health, and has returned to The Dalles.

William Shaw has returned from California where he has been attending a business College for the past year. He will soon enter the law office of Geo S Washburne.

Among those who came to Eugene to spend the holidays we noticed the faces of S W Condon, Wallace Mount, Johnn Fletcher, Stella Whitaker and Elma Lockwood.

A S McClain, a graduate of the class of '80, paid Eugene a visit during last week. Wonder if the report that a certain former Eutaxian was the cause of his visit, is true.

A candy pulling, which afforded much amusement, was held during the holidays at the residence of Mr J McCornack. An unusually pleasant evening was spent by all present.

Emma Cornelius, a graduate of last year's class, having completed the course at the business college in Portland, has been offered a position in that college. She is at present engaged as book-keeper in the firm of Beck & Son.

The watch-party given by Prof and Mrs Bailey was largely attended, and a very pleasant time was had. The departure of the old year was duly noted, and the new one joyously welcomed as Leap Year.

The young gentleman who lost the young lady whom he was escorting home from a social gathering last week, has supplied himself with a lantern, so that he will not again in another like emergency be obliged to strike matches to find her.

The College Preparatory students held their first exercises in the auditorium just before vacation. They all acquitted themselves creditably, and the exercises were an improvement on those of the higher classes, being very short and unusually interesting.

A very pleasant social gathering was held last week at the residence of Prof Straub. The genial reception extended by Prof and Mrs Straub, made it one of the most pleasant affairs of the holidays. The lighting of a beautifully decorated Christmas tree was one of the features of the evening.

Prof A Gantenbein, son of Rev Gantenbein of Portland, has been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Prof Burke. After a college course in this country, he went to Europe and graduated also at Stuttgart. He resided for some time in Paris to complete a course in French, and comes highly recommended as a scholar. He enters upon the discharge of his duties at the beginning of this term.

Election.

At their last meeting the Eutaxians elected the following officers to serve the next term: President, Susie Moore; Vice President, Lillie Porter; Secretary, Lura Murch; Treasurer, Mary Potter; Marshal, Lena McCown; Editor, Anna Patterson.

Vacation.

Friday December 21st, studies were suspended at the University until after the holidays. Most all the students not living in Eugene started the next day for their respective homes. Jan 3d studies were resumed and new classes were organized, and the student has no prospect of another vacation until next April.

I. O. O. F.

The public installation and supper given in Spencer Butte Lodge was one of the most enjoyable entertainments of the kind for many years. There was nothing occurred to mar the harmony, and every thing was as perfect as it could possibly be made under the circumstances. There is only one thing we noticed that we would have different and that was a larger hall to accomodate the brothers and their guests. There were about two hundred persons present, and the hall cannot accommodate more than 150 and seat them comfortably. It was patent to all present that Spencer Butte Lodge has outgrown the capacity of their neat and present little hall, and the suggestion naturally presents itself to the mind, our good brethern must arouse themselves and build a more commodious hall. After the audience had assembled the Eugene City String Band discoursed some most excellent music. At the proper time the installing officers were admitted, and the officers of the lodge were duly installed into respective chairs according to the usages of the order. The solemn, impressive oral instructive installation ceremony was performed in a very creditable manner, showing that the brothers of Spencer Butte Lodge are well up in the work. At the conclusion of the installation ceremony the audience was regaled with a most beautiful song, by the choir selected for the occasion—sophrano by Miss Andrews and Miss Andrews and Miss Mae Underwood; alto by Miss Irene Dunn and Miss May Test; tenor by Mr J G Adair and base by Mr Gore and Mr Eakin. An address was then delivered by W G Simpson, on Odd Fellowship, and we must say it was one of that gentleman's happiest efforts. It was short, compact, chaste in language, eloquent and to the point. At the conclusion of the address Miss Mary Test sang a most beauliful solo, which was immediately followed by a charming double quartette by the choir. Supper was then announced and about one-third of the audience was marshaled to the St Charles, where one the finest luncheons was spread that we have ever witnessed in Eugene. The participants did ample justice to the delicious viands. Just as the first seventy found that it was impossible for them to carry away all before them of the good things in their limited stomach capacity, the chairman announced a toast. Mr Sam Friendly was first called on to give a suitable toast. Sam was almost too full for utterance, with eyes starting from their sockets, for want of room (in that little body) and beaming with kindness and bonhominie in a neat and well timed introduction proposed "Friendship" the first link in the triple links of the order. Mr Geo A Dorris was called on to respond, which he did in a most happy manner. "Little" George has a most felicitous way of deceiving people both at the table and delivering a speech. We can remember only one saying that will convey a proper idea of both capacities and that is, multum in parvo.

Mr Ben Dorris was next called on to give a toast. Ben has a reputation of having the biggest inside capacity in proportion to his length and heart, of any member of Spencer Butte Lodge. But be assured that he is not all hollow, which was clearly manifest by the beautiful remarks he made in introducing the second toast "Love," the second link in the chain. It was truly a gem. Mr J N Goltra was called on to respond. And, although being a young man, modest and fair, and being seated at the table with a beautiful young lady, yet he handled the tender word and subject decidedly well. Nelson clearly manifested one most desirable faculty of the mind, and that is to quote Scripture. Hon J C Church was called on next and last to offer a toast, but while the other toasts and responses were being delivered, John was engaged with commendable zeal in trying to fill a large vacum, a thing that the laws of nature revolts at, and by the time he got on his feet it was too manifest that he had succeeded, for there was not even room for him to speak. He succeeded however in suggesting "Truth," being the last link in the mystic symbol of the order. Immediately arose the tall, graceful form, with a rippling smile playing over the beaming countenance of George Washburne, to respond. The two subjects, George and "Truth," being so harmoniously blended, the entire audience smiled with delight. George told the story of the "little hatchet," and gracefully acquitted himself. The second and third tables were marched down upon and charged on the ramparts of delicate viands prepared by mine host, Mr Watkins, with all the vim of Napoleon's Old Guards, but they were compelled to fall back and retreat in good order, confessing they were overcome. After spending an hour in social talk and listening to most excellent music, the crowd dispersed, feeling that life had lengthened out many days longer.

Brothers of Spencer Butte Lodge, may your shadows grow longer, and your lives fill up for another "feast of reason and flow of soul."

A MEMBER.

Eugene Engine Company.

This organization gave a very pleasant social entertainment at their hall Thursday evening, which was attended by the members of E E & L Co No 1, and quite a large number of invited guests. The address of welcome was delivered by Mr Geo S Washburne, and responded to by Mr Geo A Dorris. Mr L Bilyeu proposed a toast to the "E F D," which was responded to by Mr S H Friendly; Mr Henry Day proposed the toast, "Eugene Engine Company," which Mr J R Campbell responded to; the toast, "E H and L Co" was proposed by Mr B F Dorris and the response was delivered by Mr W T Campbell. Short speeches were made by Messrs S M Yoran, R B Cochran, G B Dorris and Mayor F B Dunn. The instrumental music for the occasion was furnished by Mr J H McClung's orchestra and was admirable. The singing of a quartette present was splendid. But the feature of the evening's entertainment was furnished in the comic songs of Mr B H Clark, of Springfield, who is really a star in that line. In the words of an Engine company member, "he is immense." A splendid lunch was set in the Council Chamber. The entertainment was one of the most successful social reunions ever given in the city, which is due in a great part to the labors of the committee of arrangements, Messrs Walter Cochran, Duncan Sloan and N J Taylor.

ACCIDENT.—We are informed that Mrs E P Henderson, of this city, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs G H Thurston, of Portland, received a fall on the 23d ult, breaking her right arm near the wrist. Her friends will be glad to hear that she is doing as well as could be expected, and hopes to be able to return home within a week or two.