## EUGENE CITY GUARD.

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| yere very minit up with sun-squinted eyes. 'Penty time ter plant de garden. |  |
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| tme fur dat," <br> "No, dar ain't plenty time," the wo- |  |
| 'Birds all mak hens er nests, turkey gobbler strutin', hens or |  |
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| "Koney. foy yoviot er litue. Aln' de Bible dun stid dat er man kain't tib onmeat an'bread an' vegerbles an' sich? |  |
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| "Wellum Wan for fall" <br> "Dat's er puzzler. Ax me suthin' I ken stan' on tiptoe an' reach up an |  |
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| Doan' you know why you maird me, |  |
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| "Didn' marry you fur ter be makin' <br> er garden fur you long yore in do dead <br> Wimber. <br> conda do bend $\rho^{\circ}$ win |  |
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| thinkin' 'bout de salwation o do do prin-ciples $s^{\circ}$ man. T st think' bout do chillun of Izul. In fack, honey, I thinks |  |
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| de' Word. been called on ter preach?"' |  |
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| been called on ter preach? <br> pentycost an' de leben bread, honey. |  |
| - You better be thinkin' 'bout gittin' ad ter eat in dis yere house. Whut's I gwine do while you preachin? |  |
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| "plantin' dis yere garden yo'se't Go on now an' doan 'sturb me, 'caze I's |  |
| 'munin' wid de possuls on dis yere'casion. Go on, an' of anybody fetehes any thing inter de house ter eat, blow de ho'n fur me $\qquad$ raver |  |
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| '- A knnsaw T$\qquad$ Traveler. POPPING THE QUESTION. |  |
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| The Clever Way in Which Jonas Led Up to the Subject. It was seven long years since Jonas |  |
| Harils had begun to "keop company |  |
| that time, he lad not mustered up courage to propose a certain importantquestion. His house was lonely and |  |
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| question. His house was lonely and waiting; hers was lonely onongh to bovacated, and still Jonas could not bring |  |
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| himself to spea'r the decisive words door with the courage of a lion, only to find himself a very mouse when she ap- |  |
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| and bow Converantion went serenely on for |  |
| hour or so, and then, when they bothsat paring red-cheeked apples, with |  |
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| great contentment, Jonas began to call upon his recollections"It's a good many years, ain't it, |  |
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| Hannah, since you and I first sot here together?' <br> "Yes, n good many," |  |
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| felt it. <br> Where?" he gasped. <br> "Oh, I don't know," she returned, |  |
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| beginning to quarter her apple. "Imight be out to tea-over to your |  |
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| there to get supper for you." <br> "May -be I could get it myself" <br> "So you could! so you could"" cried |  |
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| cook the pies and eakes beforehand." <br> "May be I could cook 'em" <br> At that moment Jonas' plate fell be- |  |
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| tween his knees to the hearth and brokein two, but neither of them noticed it."Hannah," cried he, with the pent- |  |
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| "Hannih," cried he, with the pent-upemphasis of seven long years, "ouuldyou bring yourself to think of gottinmarried?" |  |
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| A slow smile curved her Ilps; surely he had been given abundant time for consideration. |  |
| "May be I conld"" she returned, demurely, nad Jonas has ad mired him ooit Whis day for leading up to the sub- |  |
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| Largely a Matter of FaithDoes Miss Hyseo sing?" asked a |  |
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| traveling man of a friend who had <br> ast introduced, him a young lady. <br> "Well. that's largely a matter of fuith." <br> 都 |  |
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| I don't understand you" <br> It depead-altogether on wheh you olieve. her mother or her neighbors? |  |
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