

ELKS' SOCIAL.

A Reception Tendered to Mr. Louis James, Last Night.

Daily Guard, February 5.

The Benevolent Order of Protective Elks is known over the entire United States as an organization that is always prepared at a moment's notice to render needed aid to a deserving brother, and for their numerous socials.

They give three different socials, viz: The Stag, the Elks, and the Ladies. The one last night was a stag social, given in honor of the world-wide known actor, Mr. Louis James, and was attended by members and a few invited guests. Mr. James favored the invited gentlemen with a story or two, and was present during the entire session, and pronounced it one of the most pleasant he ever attended. He became acquainted with nearly every one in attendance, and is a jovial social gentleman.

The social was presided over by Mr. A. Charlton, a member of Portland Lodge of Elks, No. 142, and who is the general agent of the N.P.R.R. in that city. He is a great presiding officer; never lacking in wit and humor. In a stag social much depends upon the presiding officer, in fact he is responsible wholly whether it is a success or failure. Last night's entertainment was a decided success, hence the gentleman should be proud of his ability in this direction.

Mr. Wm. Mayer, of Eugene Lodge, No. 257, was the Marshal, and he faithfully carried out every order given him by the chair.

Nearly every person present contributed in some manner to the pleasures of the evening. Those members of Eugene Lodge who did not contribute to the program contributed to the treasury.

The social last night was held between the hours of 11 p.m. and 1:45 a.m. This was made necessary so as to entertain Mr. James, who played at Villard Hall last evening.

A light luncheon was served by waiters of ability, if not very experienced in this line. It might be well to state that the waiters always consist of the six most prominent members of the order.

A vote of thanks and three rousing cheers were given Mr. Charlton for the able manner in which he performed his duties and also three cheers for the guests present.

After singing "Auld Lang Syne," crossed arms, a most pleasant social, and the first one ever attempted by Eugene Lodge of Elks, came to an end.

When News is Scarce.

The printing shop's a sorry place,
When news is scarce.
The very earth seems off its base,
When news is scarce.
The clouds take on a duller hue,
Our souls absorb the deep sky's blue,
The storms hell begin to brew,
When news is scarce.

Our peaceful dreams all vanished are,
When news is scarce.
Inhuman thoughts our reveries mar,
When news is scarce.
We long for riots, fights and brawls,
For ships destroyed in sudden squalls,
For children crushed 'neath falling
walls,

When news is scarce.
A thief's a manna-feeding sprite,
When news is scarce.
Murderers' deeds seem strangely right,
When news is scarce.
The vilest deeds of fact or pen.
That ever came to mortal ken,
Would welcome be to paper men,
When news is scarce.

Revival Meetings.

Rev. M. L. Rose's revival meetings will continue this week. The interest is so great, and additions to the church so frequent that it has been decided to hold them this week and perhaps longer.

The gospel is being preached with great power and is taking hold of the souls of men. They are flocking to the standard of Jesus.

The church will open at 7 o'clock and preaching will commence at 7:30 tonight. All are invited to attend these meetings.

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DELAYED TRAINS.—The delayed overland train to Portland which ran into the southbound overland train at Nord, California, yesterday afternoon, passed through here at 11:20 today. The cars received a severe jolt and some of the seats and berths were displaced by the jar of the concussion. The northbound Reseburg local was delayed by the belated overland and passed through about 20 minutes later than its regular time.

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NEARLY A CALL FOR THE FIREMEN.—This morning after the family of J. S. Stiles had gotten up his daughter had an occasion to go in the bedroom taking a candle with her. In a few minutes after she came out of the room the family smelled smoke, and on investigation found that Mrs. Stiles' dress, which had been left on chair, was in flames. It was soon extinguished with no other damage, than, Mrs. Stiles is short one dress.

Salem Journal: "Dr. Dryer used to be likened to the noblest Roman of Oregon. He is now likened to a bull with both horns knocked off."

A new book, "Knitting and Crocheting," of 64 pages, over 50 original designs illustrated, beautiful lace patterns, shawls, hoods, jackets, etc., has been published by The Home, 141 Milk St., Boston, Mass., and will be sent with a subscription to that paper. The Home is a 20-page monthly filled with original stories, literary and domestic topics and fashions. Its department of Fancy Work is a special feature, new and original designs each issue. The price of subscription is 50 cents per year and will include one of these books. As a special inducement to trial subscribers, a copy of this book will be given with a six months' subscription. The price of the book is 25 cents, but a six months' subscription to the Home Newspaper and the book combined will be sent for only 15 cents. Their annual premium list for 1897 will be sent free on application.

LOCAL ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Fred Fisk of the Senior Class Is Chosen to Represent the Home University at Newburg.

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The local oratorical contest to decide who shall represent the University of Oregon in the oratorical contest which will be held at Newburg February 26, was held in Villard Hall last evening under the auspices of the University Oratorical Association. Mr. Fred Fisk of the senior class was chosen to represent the home University at Newburg.

Villard hall was well filled with people to witness the contest. Fifty-one contestants for the privilege of representing the University in the contest—one each from the freshman, sophomore and junior classes and two from the senior class. The contestants were chosen some time ago by vote of their respective classes. The state contest will be participated in by representatives from eight colleges.

The program opened with an instrumental solo, "Spinning Song" by Miss McAffe. This was followed with orations: "What Men is That?" by M. L. Watts of the freshman class, "The Scotch and Scotch-Irish" by M. H. Day of the sophomores class, and "The Supreme Court as a factor of national government," by Clyde Fogle of the junior class. Miss Luu Renshaw then sang "The Angels' Serenade," after which came the orations, "Brotherhood," by Fred Fisk, and "The Brotherhood of American Nations," by J. C. Higgins, both of the senior class.

The program closed with a solo, "The Serenade," by Miss Cecile Dorris.

The orations were all well rendered and showed excellent thought, deep study and splendid training.

The latter was specially noticed and the friends of the University may well be proud of the training in oratory that its students receive. The instrumental and vocal solos were charmingly rendered and brought forth enthusiastic applause.

The judges selected to decide the merits of the orations were Rev. R. C. Brooks, Judge E. O. Potter and Rev. Robert Leslie. The points considered were rhetorical excellence, originally subject matter, manner of treatment and style of delivery. After due consideration the decision of the judge was announced in favor of Mr. Fred Fisk.

The loud applause of the audience showed its appreciation of the decision.

SUICIDE AT COTTAGE GROVE.

Mrs. Katie Adkins Kills Herself by Inhalation Chloroform.

Special to the Guard.

COTTAGE GROVE, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Katie Adkins committed suicide by inhalation chloroform at the Sherwood hotel last night. She was about twenty years of age and the wife of Wm. Atkins, of this place, who keeps a saloon here. Family troubles said to the cause.

Commissioners' Court.

Feb. 5.—At this time the court considered and allowed the following bills and the clerk ordered to draw warrants on the general fund in payment thereof:

James Parker, road supervisor district No. II.....\$33 10 F. A. Post, road supervisor, district No. 49.....30 00 J. D. Neet, road supervisor district No. 65.....4 00

M. D. Landis, road supervisor district No. 101.....27 00 W. W. Dorter, road supervisor district No. 6, balance.....12 00 Benjamin Deering road supervisor district No. 82.....29 00 B. C. Beaman, road supervisor dist. No. 40.....28 00 W. L. Coleman, road supervisor district No. 24.....50 00 John Kitzmiller, road supervisor district No. 15.....27 00 J. L. Taylor, road supervisor district No. 85.....43 00 E. O. Potter, county judge, salary January.....63 65 A. S. Patterson, county treasurer salary, January.....41 65 C. S. Hunt, county superintendent salary, January.....53 00 A. J. Johnson, county sheriff, salary, January.....195 05 C. L. Scott, county deputy sheriff salary, January.....75 00 A. C. Jennings, county clerk, salary, January.....105 05 F. L. Gibbs, deputy county clerk, salary, January.....75 00 E. Bowen, ferryman.....15 00 Grant Hendricks, ferryman.....14 60 Ira McFarland, jailor for closets.....1 25 Bills allowed:

A. C. McClane, supervisor road district No. 67.....24 00 Fred Wright supervisor road district No. 18.....21 40 G. C. Miller, supervisor road district No. 42.....98 00 Feb. 4.

W. R. Montgomery, 4 coyote traps.....8 00 J. E. Johnson, 1 coyote scalp.....2 00 D. P. Imman, 2 coyote scalps.....4 00 Wm. Buck, 2 cougar scalps.....4 00 B. F. Russell, care of county paupers to Feb. 3, 1897.....170 72

J. C. Brattain, supervisor road district No. 7.....31 00 Marion Veatch, supervisor road district No. 17.....38 00 Allie Chastain, supervisor road district No. 42.....26 00 Maurice D. Johnson, supervisor road district No. 25.....30 00 Robert Vaughan, work on ferry 42 50 Franklin Hendrie's work on ferry.....21 25 James Withrow, work on ferry.....6 25 W. F. Bailey, commissioner, examination bridges.....10 50 D. R. Beets, humor for Indian Creek bridge.....12 00 F. P. Allison supervisor road district No. 51.....10 60 John jeans supervisor road district No. 62.....10 00 W. W. Hawley supervisor road district No. 75.....12 00

DISMISSED.—The replaceable suit of Misses Friend and a close Saturday night after having been on trial for three days. The suit was brought to recover about \$175 worth of goods, but the plaintiff failed to support his claim and the case was dismissed. The costs, which amounted to \$75 or \$80, were charged to plaintiff.

WHIST PARTY.—Miss Grace Clark gave a whist party to a few of her friends last Saturday evening in which games and whist were enjoyed until late at night.

STURF FRIEND.—J. M. Hart, 42 W. Powell, 421, to recover \$380—W. E. Brown vs. Neddy Remmey, administrator of the estate of Martin Bogart deceased, et al. to recover \$100.

A SHASTA WRECK.

The Portland and San Francisco Overland Trains collide at Nord.

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A dispatch gives no account of a collision of the Portland and San Francisco overland passenger trains which occurred at Nord, near Chico, in California yesterday morning.

The northbound Oregon express, leaving 15 minutes behind time, the southbound train was ordered to sidetrack at Nord and wait for the northbound to pass. As the train pulled up on the sidetrack, it was found that, as a box car had been left standing, it was necessary for the express to sacrifice speed and push the car ahead. Just then the northbound train was seen approaching down the track with no intention of stopping. It was impossible for the engineer on the northbound to see the headlight of the southbound, as it was behind the box car. Before all the cars of No. 16 could get on the sidetrack, the other train struck them.

The engine struck the smoker first, plowing its way along to the next, which was the tourist car, turning it completely over, but leaving the trucks on the track. In this car, the passengers were thrown from their seats to the lower side of the car, which was lying in a deep pool of water alongside of the track.

In this car were seven deserters from the regular army, bandaged together and guarded by six soldiers.

The passengers were soon released from their perilous position, and it was found that only one was seriously injured, one of the deserters having an arm broken. Five persons in all were injured, most of them slightly. The wreckage was soon cleared.

NO QUORUM YET.

Illinoian and Lee, Democrats, Join Mitchell Men in Joint Convention.

Special to the Guard.

Salem, Or., Feb. 5, 2 p.m.—Blythe of Lane County and Lee of Polk, both Democrats, went into joint convention with the Mitchell men at Justice Monday.

Total vote was 38, eight less than a quorum. Adjourned to 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Annual Meeting.

The Fortnightly Club held its annual business meeting and election Saturday, Feb. 6th. Reports of all officers, committees, and heads of departments were read, and as shown in the report of the retiring president, the club is in a good progressive condition, both socially and financially.

In the same report, suggestions were given, which if acted upon, by the club will prove of much added interest and benefit. These were first: A change in the arrangement of programs by the several departments; second,—obtaining more commodious club rooms, and third,—entering more into the social life.

The club cherishes a vision of its own club rooms, but that is, as yet, only a vision of the future, from which "Hope" draws the veil.

There have been seventeen meetings held during the year, a program under one of the special departments, being prepared for each.

The semi-annual fee has been reduced from two dollars and a half to one dollar and a quarter.

After the reports were read the following officers were elected for the new year:

President, Mrs. F. L. Washburn; vice, Mary E. McCormick; recording secy., Louise Yoran; cor. secy., Maude Wilkins; treasurer, Mrs. McKenna; spt. of departments, "Ark"; Miss Patterson;

"Dramatic Art"—Miss Baright;

"Education"—Miss Veazie;

"Ethical Forces"—Mrs. Eakin;

"House and Home"—Mrs. McMurry;

"Literature"—Miss LaLanne;

"Music"—Mrs. Brooke;

"Philanthropy"—Miss Chase;

"Science"—Miss Condon;

"Business Women"—Mrs. Vazier;

"Social Science"—Mrs. Condon.

The club holds its next meeting at Mount's Hall Saturday, Feb. 20th.

BURRANT, The Murderer.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The supreme court of California, has not yet handed down a decision on the appeal of Theodore Burrant, found guilty of the murder of Blanch Lamont twenty-one months ago. It is understood the appeal has not yet been considered by the supreme justices, but many of the attorneys believe the court will grant Burrant a new trial.

So many important civil cases have

preceded over the Burrant case that it

is said that a decision will not be

had down before the end of the year.

President, Mrs. L. L. Campbell, recd.

the following bills:

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J. C. Brattain, supervisor road

district No. 7.....31 00

Marion Veatch, supervisor road

district No. 17.....38 00

Allie Chastain, supervisor road

district No. 42.....26 00

Maurice D. Johnson, supervisor

road district No. 25.....30 00

Robert Vaughan, work on ferry.....42 50

Franklin Hendrie's work on

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W. F. Bailey, commissioner, ex-

amination bridges.....10 50

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