Thanksgiving sermon.

Oregon City, December 14, 1866.

What I want, then, when I speak of the developments that are about to happen in this city, is that you will keep before you the fact that the time of blessing is coming, and that it is coming very soon. They do not come by a sudden stroke of the hand. It is not a sudden stroke of the hand that brings the harvest. It is the patient work of years that brings the harvest. And so it is with the city of Oregon City. It is not a sudden stroke of the hand that will bring the harvest. It is the patient work of years that will bring the harvest. And so it is with the city of Oregon City. It is not a sudden stroke of the hand that will bring the harvest. It is the patient work of years that will bring the harvest.

What with this view of the harvest that is coming, and the work that is to be done in preparing for it, we have the work of preparation to do. And this work of preparation is not to be done in a day. It is a work of years that has to be done. And so it is with the city of Oregon City. It is not a sudden stroke of the hand that will bring the harvest. It is the patient work of years that will bring the harvest.

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