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SLATE MAKING.

The Guard in commenting on
what the Junction City Times says
about county politics, a part of
which is seen in another place, to
our mind makes about the same
kind of break as that of the Times.
Each seems to speak authoritative-
ly, and with the same degree of
certainty, and if what these papers
assert be true the holding of con-
ventions will be unnecessary, only
as far as to simply tally the slate
sheet prepared by these. Witness
what the Guard says.

"Among the Democrats and Popu-
lists who so loyally supported the
Union ticket we have not at any
time heard any question raised as
to the wisdom and propriety of
nominating Sheriff Withers for the
second term. His management of
the office has been above reproach,
besides the great loss he sustained
through the criminal action of a
subordinate, but faithless deputy makes
his renomination simply a matter
of justice.

It may be well to set Deputy
Sheriff Fisk right before the public.
Not only has there never been the
best question as to the propriety
of renominating Sheriff Withers,
but Mr. Fisk never entertained a
thought of becoming a candidate
against the man who furnishes him
employment. Fisk is an
honorable man and would not
step any citizen's office because a
candidate against his chief with
whom he holds the peculiarly con-
fidential relations that, more than
in any other county office, attach
to that of the sheriff.

Of course on the matter of a
candidate for sheriff on the Demo-
cratic ticket the Guard is par-
ticular to have its set to the
exclusion of all other candidates
or other offices. This is natural,
and but a matter of business with
the Guard, seeing that it has man-
aged out of the sheriff's office since
Withers' incumbency, y'know Withers
has made for himself. And seeing
also, that the re-election of Withers
is its only hope of a continuation
of its revenue drawn from the
wasteful through the

office. In furtherance of the
Guard's plan it goes on to clear the
way for Withers, by stating that
Fisk will not oppose Mr
Withers' nomination and election
Fisk being willing to put up with
his \$75 a month job, which he now
holds.

Again, it is worth while to notice
what the Guard says about the
Democrats and Populist, "who so
loyally supported the Union ticket."
It says it has not heard any
question raised as to the wisdom
of renominating Withers for the
second term. We do not wish to
dispute the Guard's word in this
respect, but here we will inform
the Guard that its information and
that of the Broad-Axe is widely
divergent on the matter of nomi-
nating Withers for a second term.
We say that we have not seen a
populist or silver republican in
this county who expressed any
opinion on the subject that said
he would vote for Withers again.
And it is our opinion that there
are at least five hundred Populist
and silver Republican in the
county who would not support
Withers again for any office.

What the Guard seems to par-
ade as a reason for the sympathy
and re-election of Withers, reform-
ers see a strong reason for dropping
him. The fact that Withers ap-
pointed Day his deputy with his
known history for crookedness
while a deputy under a former
sheriff, and allowing him to handle
thousands of dollars of the county's
money for weeks at a time with-
out any knowledge of what he was
doing, is a strong argument
against his capability for the office
of sheriff, which reformers have
not failed to take notice of. This,
taken in connection with the fact
that Mr. Withers has uniformly
ignored Populists, "who so loyally
supported him, and given the
patronage of the office to Democrats,
and in some instances to Repub-
licans in preference to reformers
who supported him loyally both
in 1894 and in 1898. The Broad-
Axe will inform the Guard, and
the rest of man kind if it is not
already known that there are
probably as many as five hundred
men in Lane county just as com-
petent for the office of sheriff in
all respects as Mr Withers, and
hundreds also who would not let
their deputies get away with pub-
lic funds. The Broad-Axe thinks
Mr. A. J. Johnson, who Mr Withers
succeeded may be ranked among
the other class named.

Not it would be a little more
modest if the Times and Guard
would wait for the wagon.

A Howl for Sympathy and Pity for Mercy.

Into every life creep misfortunes
whether self-wrought or unavoid-
able. Its lights and shadows, the
joys and sorrows, the pleasures and
pains are the mingling forces
for good and evil that daily con-
stitute the nature of us as
we tread through the labyrinth of
time on out into the mystic be-
yond. Misfortunes come that oft-
times the individual would will-
ingly sacrifice the best years of his
life if they could be completely
eradicated. But he is wisest who
lets the "dead past bury the dead"
and sees in the sunshine and glory
of future days some happiness still
left to him, and that teaches him
also the charity that shares the
sorrows of others and helps him to

forget his own.—Eugene Register
The sentiments of the above
from the Register seems a melan-
cholly outpouring of a conscience
stricken soul—the pleading for
some means of escape from an ever
present presentiment of some evil
genius haunting him day and
night.

To one who is acquainted with
the writer who penned the above
lines and has a knowledge of the
"self wrought misfortunes" that
has crept into his or their lives, it
is not strange that the "individual
would willingly sacrifice the best
years of his life to eradicate them."
Nor is it all strange that that in-
dividual would "let the dead past
bury the dead" if that were possi-
ble, that "in the sunshine and
glory of future days some happi-
ness might be left to him." And
we could almost wish that the
burden of guilt might be removed
from off the guilty creature.

But when we turn our eyes upon
our daughters and neighbor's
daughters and think of the lecher-
ous beast that would betray and
ruin them and break out peace,
then we say when the Willamette
shall run up stream, Spencer butte
becomes a hole in the ground and
the cliffs of the South shall
cease lynching negroes for assaul-
ing their wives and daughters,
then would we forget or forgive
those parties however much they
might beg and crave it.

Where We are At.

A valued friend takes us to task
for what we said last week advising
Bryan to enjoy himself for a sea-
son as sportsman in pursuit of
game, his eyes and mind averted
from the perplexities of politics,
etc, saying we spoke disparagingly
of Mr Bryan, asking "where we are
at?"

Now, for once as a citizen and
voter we will say once for all that
we do not believe Bryan has his
equal as an orator and statesman
in these United States, and that we
think him eminently superior to
Mr McKinley a hunter, though
he may be and there is no one in
our knowledge that we would
vote for in preference for the
presidency.

His All Fixed Now.

The dispatches announce that
Hanna is to be chairman of the
next Republican National Commit-
tee, and that he will be temporary
and permanent chairman of the
Republican National Convention.
That this is in accordance with
President McKinley's wishes, and
that the president will be the only
candidate before the convention.

Almost daily occurrences are
happening in proof of the old
adage that "corporations have no
souls" and the latest exemplifica-
tion of the truth of this is in the
fact that the corporation that sails
under the euphonic name of the
Eugene Loan & Savings bank suing
and serving papers on Hon Robert
Clow while lying expected to die
at any moment so the report goes.
Is this a mark of the advancement
of the present age? Or is it a
token of the fraternal ties of the
universal brotherhood of man? Or
is it still the green-eyed monster
Shylock demanding his pound of flesh?

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retail \$3.40.
- Millstuffs—bran \$13.00 shorts
\$25.00.
- Hogs—dressed, 54c.
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to 3.
- Sheep—\$2.50 and \$3.
- Dressed Veal—64c
- Butter 30 to 40c per roll.
- Poultry—Hens 7 to 8 cents.
- Potatoes 25c per bu.
- Onions, per bu. 20c

Notice of same settlement.
With a decree given that the undersigned
executor of the estate of Joseph M. Evans
deceased, has filed in the county court of Lane
county, state of Oregon, his final account as
such executor of said estate and that Monday
the 5th day of February, 1900 at the hour of one
o'clock p.m. has been fixed for said court at the
time for hearing objections to said report and
the settlement thereof.
J. J. STEVENS THOMAS EVANS
Attorney for estate. Executor for said estate

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