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Expressions.

See Hoe Cake soap.
Editor Dugger, of Seio, is in this city to-day.
Hoe Cake soap is pure, and will not destroy clothing.
E. B. Crouch and family left yesterday for Los Angeles.
Groceries—quality excellent—prices low—at Bach & Buhl's.
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Prof. J. B. Marks is visiting in this city. His school at Tangent has closed.
You can make nice soft soap with Soap Foam. Directions on each package.
Mrs. C. G. Harmon and little son spent Sunday in Albany visiting with friends.
Miss Helen Bode returned home Monday from an extended visit in Portland.
They say thirty-four detectives are expected to guard Maj. McKinley on inauguration day.
Willie Booth is in Seio this week, canvassing for W. J. Bryan's book, "The First Battle."
Everybody get ready for the mask social to be given about March 19, by the Lady Macabees.
Aty. Frank Skilworth, now of Junction City, visited his parents in this city over Sunday.
C. C. Cooper, the Foster gardener, left this week for Southern Oregon, where he intends to reside in future.
Are you looking for an engagement or wedding ring? French the jeweler, Albany, has some handsome ones.
One-half wool dress goods reduced to 10 cts., and bleached, all linen table cloth, for 35 cts. a yard, at the Racket Store.
Miss Rice's brother William left today for his home in Hillsboro, his sister having about recovered from her illness.
The best dressed men in Linn county are those who buy their clothing from Bach & Buhl. Good suits for low prices.
Albert W. Wight and Don Swan, who are attending the Albany college, spent last Sunday in Lebanon with their parents.
The public school in Lebanon observed Washington's birthday in an appropriate manner. The program was very interesting.
It is current in eastern newspapers that the dress which Mrs. McKinley will wear inauguration day will cost from \$8000 to \$10,000.
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Russell left Saturday for their home at Athens, Or. They had been visiting relatives in this city for several days.
D. M. Davenport, D. D., of Snohomish, Wash., will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath, both morning and evening.
Preaching at the M. E. Church, South, next Sunday morning and evening. Epworth League and Sunday school at usual hours.
A good assortment of men's, youths' and boys' clothing is now on sale at the Woolen Mills office at Waterloo. You can get great bargains.
It will pay you to take the entire family to town and get them a new outfit while the big sale is going on at Bach, Peacock & Co's Lebanon store.

Improve Our Schools.

LEBANON, Or., Feb. 24, 1897.

EDITOR EXPRESS:

As the time of our annual school meeting is near at hand, when questions concerning our public school will no doubt be discussed, I desire to briefly mention one or two points.

I believe we now have a good school, worthy of the support of us all. Certainly our public schools should receive our attention, for we look to them, and to them only, for the education of the masses. Our public school should be as good as any in the county—or for that matter as good as any in the state. In order to have such a school we must keep abreast with the times and do high school work.

Surely we cannot afford to stop with the 8th grade, thereby depriving our children of a common school education. Children have been turned away from our public school in former years when they had gone through the U. S. history. Poor children—turned out on the commons without an education and without money to secure it.

Surely our public school should fit our boys and girls with sufficient textbook knowledge to enable them to secure a third grade certificate, or at least to enter some college if they so desired. To confine them down to the 8th grade would compel them to attend the preparatory department of some college from two to four years to receive the education that they should receive in our public school.

There is another matter that I desire to speak of, and one that will, no doubt, be discussed in our coming school meeting, and that is in regard to school buildings. As every one knows, the present building does not afford accommodation for all. I believe our children should all be in one school building. Nearly all school houses built now in towns of this size, smaller and larger, contain eight rooms and afford accommodations for from 400 to 600 children. By having the school all together more interest is taken in the school and the children have more and better advantages, thereby keeping down jealousies that would arise from two or three schools or different buildings.

I understand we are now paying sixteen dollars a month for the rent of two rooms. Why not pay that sum towards a building of our own, and give our children an education that we may all be proud of? X.

Home Talent Triumphant.

The W. R. C. entertainment given Tuesday evening was a "howling success"—in fact it was a great success, and the "Sour Kraut Brigade" did some comical howling, consequently we feel justified in calling it a "howling success."

Quite a large audience was present, the neat sum of \$38 being realized from the sale of tickets. However, if money was not so hard to obtain now-a-days the ladies would have had a much larger house, which they really merit, as they worked hard to make the drama as pleasing as possible, and also their expenses were quite heavy.

Miss Fannie Hughes impersonated the heroine in such a realistic manner that she was heartily applauded. Miss Hallie Baker, as Kate Spencer, is also entitled to much credit for her splendid acting.

Lyle Baker had a difficult task—the impersonation of the hero, Julian Farnsworth, and his disguises. This necessitated the acting of four different characters—a northern gentleman, a Dutch corporal, a Dutch justice of the peace, and an Irish woman—but Lyle has such talent as an actor that Webster's Unabridged contains but few words that would express the great delight of the audience while he was on the stage.

However, George Randle was a close second in his character of a negro. If George can be beaten in acting the part of a comical darkey, it is only by a first-class professional actor. We have never seen his equal among amateurs.

Henry Smith was the heavy villain—a part that requires much ability to do justice to the character. But Henry has that ability and can be very villainous on the stage.

Space forbids individual mention of the several other actors, but each and every one did well.

Crawford & McKnight's orchestra furnished music for the occasion.

The costumes were very complete, as promised. By the way, it will be a long time before the costumes worn by the "Sour Kraut Brigade" will be forgotten by the members of the audience.

In closing, it is but due to Mrs. G. W. Cronson to state that much of the success was by reason of her zealous efforts in making preparations for the drama.

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Mrs. Hoffman's Lecture.

EDITOR EXPRESS:

The lecture by Mrs. Hoffman last Thursday evening was well attended and highly appreciated. We wish we could give an abstract, but can only present some of her thoughts as we remember them.

Her whole lecture was to answer the oft repeated question, "What has the W. C. T. U. accomplished?" She confined herself to actual facts within her memory.

Socially, she referred to the time when liquor was served at every gathering from a christening to a burial, and to its comparative disuse to-day; to the former use of liquor in high life, especially in Washington, and to the change, Sec. Windom and wife, Pres. Hayes and wife, and Mrs. Cleveland.

Industrially, she mentioned the fact that formerly no temperance restrictions were made upon train men, telling of an engineer who was helped into his cab "to sleep his drunk off." The change in this direction is well known. Within her memory all farm work was done by hand, and laborers in large bands worked long and hard to harvest the crops, receiving their liquor regularly in the field. Her father at last refused to furnish the customary liquor and found that better work and less quarrelling was done.

She spoke of the vote taken in the house of representatives to abolish the saloons in the capitol building.

Religiously, she told of the time when church members and pastors used liquor freely, when there were spittoons at every pew and a larger one for the pulpit. When she began to lecture, there was great fear lest a woman speaker, especially if she should touch on politics, should contaminate the sacred edifice—scented with tobacco. Now a pastor or church official who uses liquor or tobacco "has not a heavenly time on earth, whatever he may have hereafter."

Referring to the time of the "Women's Crusade," she told of the women who went before congress in behalf of the reformed men to whom liquor was readily sold, and of their reception by men who were "as sweet as honey and as deceitful as Satan."

Convinced that the only practical way is to train the children, the women by their petitions have caused scientific temperance instruction to be given in the public schools. Through their influence the U. S. Naval cadets are forbidden the use of liquor. They have also worked to secure the cigarette laws that have been passed. She suggested that our own legislators might have done something in the temperance line, if it had organized in time.

By petitions of W. C. T. U. workers the unjust laws concerning the protection of girls have been amended. The "legal age of consent" is changed from childhood to womanhood. Mrs. Hoffman would no sooner trust women alone to legislate for men than men alone to legislate for women.

Defending herself for not attacking the saloon keeper, she explained that the saloon keeper is as good as his saloon, his saloon as good as those who license it, those who license it as good as the law which permits them to do so, the law as good as the legislators, and the legislators as good as the people who elect them.

She spoke of the legislative troubles as tending to bring about the election of senators by the people directly, and the system of initiative and referendum.

The closing appeal was to help the W. C. T. U. workers and not to cowardly wait to see what they accomplished.

A HEARER.

Last Monday evening a large audience was present at the Baptist church to listen to Rev. Lindsey's address on "Maccabeesism." He charmed his audience by his eloquent argument concerning the benefits of the order. He took his text from the bible, and declared that it was the duty of every man to take out insurance so as to protect his family in time of need. We are informed that there have been several applications for membership as a result of the meeting. We do not belong to this order, but judging from the interest displayed by the members and the fact that the order pays up its obligations promptly, it is a good one.

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