

DOINGS AT THE PRISON

Some Changes Made, in the Interest of Discipline

Contracts for Supplies Nearly All Let, Names of Those Who Secured Them

At the penitentiary yesterday a new guard began his duties, taking the place of W. H. Fouts, of Columbia county, recently dismissed. The new guard is John Bergen, of Portland, president of the Grainhandlers' Union, and a man who stands high in the estimation of the people of Portland, where his home is. Duncan C. Ross, who has been in the employ of the prison for some time, is in the shops, taking the place of M. H. Sheehan, who severed his connection with the prison on the day Fouts went out, both of them being relieved of duty for the reason that a personal altercation between them could not be overlooked by the management. The new guards recently appointed by the superintendent are taking hold of the work in an excellent manner, and the discipline of the prison is, if anything, increased since the changes were recently made.

Supt. C. W. James has thoroughly gone over the mass of bids for supplies for the penitentiary, and has awarded contracts in most cases, a few only having been withheld for further examination. Among the contracts awarded are the following for supplies as stated:

Beef—Stensloff Bros., \$7.95 per 100 pounds.
Flour—Balfour, Guthrie & Company, \$3.58 per barrel.
Dress—D. J. Fry, \$74.95.
Dry goods—Meier & Frank, Portland.
Striped suiting and shirting—Thos. Kay Woolen Mills.

Thread—J. J. Dalrymple & Co.
Blacksmith supplies—R. M. Ward & Co., \$59.20.
Leather and findings—Irvin & Petreys and Breyman Leather Co.
Groceries—Gilbert & Baker, Weller Bros., Fuller & Douglas, John Hughes & Co., Lang & Co.

Salem Patti Party.

Patti sings in Portland tonight, and if all the cities and towns in this portion of the state send down as large delegations to hear the Diva as did Salem, there will be little room left in the Marquam Grand for the denizens of Portland. Salem's best people went down to hear and enjoy the sweet and wonderful voice that for half an age has been the rage of two continents, and once heard they will not soon forget the great treat enjoyed. Among those going down from this city were the following: Mrs. H. G. Meyers, Mrs. E. C. Cross, Mrs. J. M. Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moores, Mrs. F. W. Waters, Mrs. Etta Anders-Willman, Mrs. R. J. Hendricks, Mrs. T. T. Geer, Mrs. A. B. Gillis, Mrs.



SCENE FROM "ARE YOU A MASON?"

Conrad Krebs, Miss Gertrude Stahley, Mrs. G. C. Will, Mrs. C. H. Hinges, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. M. S. Skiff, Mrs. Elsie Brown, Miss Marie Hofer and Messrs. Squire Farrar, A. Branson, A. N. Moores, H. D. Patton, F. W. Stensloff, Wm. Stensloff, Mac Hofer, J. H. Duncan, Louis Lachmund, W. W. Steiwer.

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When Mrs. Perry calls him to account for certain irregularities and outbreaks of gayety at home during her absence he avers that his capers are but the preliminaries to his elevation in his lodge. Things begin to look serious for the quasi masons, for each is in absolute ignorance of the other's fraud. Many expedients are resorted to to prevent disclosure, but the net seems to tighten around the unfortunate pretenders with the arrival from the interior of New York of Mr. and Mrs. John Halton, with whom the Bloodgoods and Perry boarded during a summer previous to their experiencing the delights of phantom initiations. The Haltons have come to take up permanent residence in New York City, and Mrs. Bloodgood, zealous for the masonic cause, wins another recruit in John Halton. She directs her husband and Perry to instruct the novice and propose "him for admission in their lodge. The two men are on "the horns of the dilemma," but, by various pretexts and excuses, defer his date of entrance. The ordeal through which they pass in trying to keep the secret is nerve-racking and has each on the verge of nervous prostration. Matters come to a climax, however, when a bona fide mason, Ernest Morrison, seeks to enter the portals of the Bloodgood home through marriage with another daughter. Being somewhat of a gallant, he takes the ladies to many social functions and, on occasion, to a lodge party where a series of complications arise to the undoing of Bloodgood and Perry. The hoax, of course, is discovered. The plot adjusts itself naturally, and Mrs. Bloodgood's wrath is finally mitigated by subsequent real vouchers for masonic orders.

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his domestic felicity disturbed by his bride's accidentally receiving a letter from her husband's former sweetheart deploring her marriage and hinting at her own self destruction. His wife, in order to forestall any like condition of affairs, thinks that his dutiful ideas will be preserved if he joins the masons. To please his wife he thinks so too; promises to apply for admission, though never does; and finally in a moment of weakness, to satisfy his wife, says that he has "ridden the goat"—from time to time dilates in glowing terms of his success in masonry, and culminates his enforced prevarication by the announcement of his installation as "Worshipful Grand Master" of his lodge.

Thoroughly imbued with the fraternal spirit his wife carries it very much into private life, and when her eldest daughter, Eva, wants consent to marry Frank Perry she acquiesces only on condition that her prospective son-in-law emulates her husband's example. Perry does emulate her husband's example, for he, too, promises, but never joins, and is obliged to resort to all manner of subterfuge in order to conceal the deception.

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STRONG DUMB WITNESS

Steer Came Home and Proved a Good Alibi

Like Bo Peep's Sheep He Brought His Tail, and Also His Hide Along With Him

Here is an Olympia, Wash., story, a sequel to an arrest made a few days ago:

After what was supposed to be its hide had been brought into Justice of the Peace Gilles' court as evidence against Edwin Riggs and Henry Young, charged with stealing and killing a steer belonging to Robert A. Ayer, and the young men had been bound over to the superior court, the steer turned up safe and sound at Ayers' farm yesterday evening, and disproved all charges of its having been killed. As a result there is a wrathful crowd of the friends of the young men in town today, who demand for them restitution for the suffering and inconvenience occasioned by their arrest and confinement in jail. The case was dismissed this morning in the superior court at the request of County Prosecutor Owings.

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