FRATERNAL BONDS

Order of the Eastern Star.

There are but very few men connected with fraternal organizations who have given as much time and attention to an order as has James Bestor Merritt of Oakleaf Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and at present worthy grand patron of the Grand Chapter of the order. Mr. Merritt has a fraternal record of which he may well be proud. It is as follows: Worshipful master, Oak Grove Lodge, F. and A. M., 1885; high priest, Oakland Chapter, R. A. M., 1896; thrice illustrious master, Oakland Council, R. and S. M., 1884 and 1894; eminent commander, Oakland commandery, K. T., 1887; venerable master, Oakland Lodge of Perfection, 1885; wise master, Gethsemane Chapter Rose Croix, 1886; eminent commander, De Molay Council, Kadosh, 1887; grand master, Grand Council, R. and S. M., 1888; grand master, Grand Consistory, Thirty-second degree, A. and A. S. Rite, 1893; worthy patron of Oakleaf Chapter, O. E. S., 1887; worthy grand patron, Grand Chapter, O. E. S., 1896, and member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

During the term that will close on the 20th inst.,

James B. Merritt.

the worthy patron, who is a man of means and an enthusiast in fraternal matters, has devoted much of his time to the upbuilding of the order, of which he is the highest officer, and in the pursuance of this he has, at his own expense, paid fraternal visits to almost every chapter in this State and to some in the State of Nevada. He has been from San Diego to Siskiyou and from the eastern to the western boundary of the State, and during the term has called on all but twelve of the 131 chapters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter. Up to last Tuesday he had paid to these 150 visits, and, as he intends to continue visitations until the day before the meeting of the Grand Chapter in this City, he hopes to be with those twelve he had not visited, before that time. Many of the places he went to are far out of the way, and the difficulties of reaching them not few. His visits have been hailed with pleasure and the advice and instruction he gave to the chapters have proved of the greatest benefit. A result of his activity is apparent in the marked increase that the order shows during his term. Eighteen new chapters have been organized and instituted and the net gain in membership, after deducting a loss of 799 by death and suspension, is 1105, with five chapters to hear from. The total membership of the order is now more than 8700. When the worthy grand patron retires from the field of active service, it will be with the satisfaction that he has done more for the order than any other grand officer occupying the position has did, and that his work was not through selfishness, but through a desire to do the greatest amount of good to the greatest number. Were there more of his kind in the fraternal world, the better that world would be.

Oakleaf Chapter has added twelve to its membership since it handed its annual returns.

Golden Gate Chapter received two petitions at its last held meeting.

Ivy Chapter at its last held meeting initiated four candidates, elected four members and received two applications.

The benefit in aid of the Widows' and Orphans' Home will be given in Golden Gate Hall on the evening of the 21st inst.

Carita Chapter gave a very entertaining "mum" social in Alameda last Wednesday. It was well attended and much amusement was afforded to all participants.

Worthy Grand Matron Carrie L. Peaslee will arrive from Pasadena to-day.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

During the latter part of September Grand Master Warboys and Grand Secretary Shaw visited Weaverville and there held a special session of the Grand Lodge. During their stay there they visited North Star Lodge and also visited Evening Star Lodge of the Rebekahs and were well entertained.

Last Thursday Sunset Encampment of Alameda celebrated its anniversary in grand style to the satisfaction of the members and the pleasure of the invited guests.

The indications at this time are that the Grand Encampment to be held in Santa Cruz will be the largest in the history of the order in California. While reports show that there has been a falling-off in the encampments throughout the Union, the reports to be presented at Santa Cruz will show a marked gain in the jurisdiction of California.

The grand master instituted a lodge of the Rebekah Degree at Oroville last Saturday and he was to institute one at Dunsmuir.

Mrs. Marian Greenwood, grand president of the Rebekahs, is proving herself a very zealous officer, devoting much time to the advancement of the order and meeting with a very cordial reception wherever she goes.

The trustees of the Orphans' Home to be erected at Gilroy have now on hand the sum of $5000 in round numbers. Of this sum about $1060 has been contributed by the City lodges and the balance by interior lodges. Of the City lodges Templar has given $400, Amity $360 and Oriental $100.

Ancient Order United Workmen.

Frank S. Poland, Samuel Booth and P. Abrahamson, a special committee, have arranged for an entertainment and ball that will be held in Odd Fellows' Hall on the 27th inst. in celebration of the twenty-eighth anniversary of the order.

The open meeting and reunion held last Thursday under the auspices of District No. 1 was attended by a very large number of people. There were addresses by the grand master workman, the grand recorder and ex-Judge Ferral. A lecture on the work of the order, illustrated with stereopticon, was delivered by E. W. Marston, past master of Pacific Lodge. There was also a musical and literary programme, the participants being loudly applauded and encored. The officers of the district lodge for good results from the meeting.

Last Wednesday Grand Recorder Hirshberg addressed a public meeting in Crockett, Contra Costa County. A lodge will shortly be instituted there and on that occasion the grand officers will be present and the lectures of the order will be illustrated with the stereopticon.

C. H. Symmes is doing good work in the direction of organizing a lodge at Port Costa.

The lodge room of Haywards Lodge was crowded to its utmost last Tuesday to witness the conferring of degrees on a number of candidates. The grand master workman and other grand officers were present and delivered interesting addresses.

Pacific Lodge will confer the degrees on fifteen candidates next Thursday. There will be delegates from all the Alameda County lodges and there will be a banquet.

An artistic lithographed past master workman's certificate is now ready for distribution in the office of the grand recorder. It is expected that such a certificate will be given by lodges to retiring master workmen.

The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin has adopted the new classified plan of assessment.

The Degree of Honor.

Reports from the various lodges show that almost every one has an increase in membership.

Grand Chief of Honor Mrs. Stewart will visit the lodges in the jurisdiction in November.

Last Wednesday Ivy Lodge gave a grand entertainment to its friends, on which occasion Mrs. Eva Cogan, D. D. G. C. of H., entertained those present with very interesting remarks. An entertaining programme in which Marjorie Oakes, Lillie Greenebaum, little Miss James, Josie Butler, Delieta Smith, Isabel Jacobson, Mr. Henry, Miss Strasburg and Jessie S. Hall took part.

On last Friday Past Grand Chief of Honor Esther Lovejoy and her husband were invited to attend a meeting of Minerva Lodge. A select programme was presented, after which all were invited to the banquet hall, where the two specially invited guests were presented with a crystal lemonade set by the lodge, with wishes for many returns of the day, it being the anniversary of their wedding, and crystal was most appropriate, it being the fifteenth anniversary. After partaking of a collation there was dancing. There were many present from different lodges, and among the notables were: Mrs. Stewart, S. L. of H. Deputy; Mrs Pinkham, Mrs. Norman, G. C. of C.; Helen Lewis, G. I. W.; M. H. O'Hea, grand receiver.

The Native Sons.

Grand Trustee Sabichi, Grand Secretary Lunstedt and Deputy Ellison officially visited El Dorado Parlor last Thursday and witnessed the exemplification of the new ritual. The visitors were invited to a banquet, at which the grand trustee paid a high compliment to the parlor for its activity. Short addresses were made by the visitors, E. N. P. Phelan, N. H. Baker and J. Jolly.

Grand Trustee Sabichi, after having visited the parlors in San Francisco, Contra Costa, Marin, Lake and Sonoma counties, left for his home in Los Angeles last week, carrying away many souvenirs of parlors visited.

Grand Vice-President Clark and other grand officers visited Presidio Parlor last Monday. Yerba Buena Parlor was visited on Tuesday night.

Santa Rosa wants the next celebration of the Native Sons held there.

The Native Sons' band will give an entertainment in aid of the uniform fund on the 22d inst.

Grand Orator Mattison will make visits as follows during November: In San Francisco, Pacific, Golden Gate and Mission parlors; in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Ramona and Corona parlors; in Orange, Invincible Parlor; in Tulare Visalia and Tulare parlors; in Kings County, Lemoore Parlor; in San Diego, San Diego Parlor; in San Bernardino, Arrowhead Parlor; in Riverside, Redlands Parlor; in Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara Parlor; in Ventura, Hueneme and Santa Paula parlors; and in Kern, Baker Parlor.

Judge Rust of the board of trustees, who has been quite ill, is convalescent at his home in Jackson, Amador County.

Grand Vice-President Clark has visited the local parlors to see the work and the new ritual performed. He will continue the visits until the officers are proficient in the work.

The following visitors from the interior were registered at the office of the grand secretary last week: Frank L. Coombs of Napa, J. D. Norris of Centerville, J. Flint Jr. of San Juan, C. W. Kramer, N. B. Smith and O. P. Sidger of Humboldt No. 14, and C. Gattwas of Marysville.

The Native Daughters.

A new parlor was instituted last Saturday at Woodland by Mrs. Mary Brekeufeld of California Parlor, district deputy at large. The parlor, "Woodland," starts out with thirty-one charter members and the following named as officers: Mrs. D. C. Halsey, P. P.; Miss Mae Cummings, P.; Miss Birdie Morris, first vice-president; Miss Minnie Prior, second vice-president; Miss Gertie Connell, third vice-president; Miss Hattie Lee, R. S.; Miss Cora Porter, F. S.; Miss Maggie Ellis, T.; Miss Nellie Thorpe, M.; the Misses May Dexter, Ray Dryfus and Bertha Gadis, trustees. Grand President Mary E. Tillman was present during the ceremonies.

Another new parlor will be instituted on Thursday at Antioch by Deputy Mrs. Mary Gildpatrick. It was organized by Mary E. Dillingham. A new parlor will soon be instituted in San Diego.

Oro Fino Parlor will give a party on All Hallow eve in the banquet-hall of the Native Sons' building.

La Estrella Parlor gave a very pleasant social last week, and there was a good attendance.

The flag social given by Golden State Parlor last Tuesday was, as it was expected it would be, a most pleasing, entertaining and enjoyable affair. The young ladies of this parlor are fast gaining prominence for the excellence of the entertainments they give.

Buena Vista Parlor has again distinguished itself by the entertainment it gave to its friends in Native Sons' banquet-hall last Wednesday evening. The handsomely decorated hall was crowded to its capacity, and the programme presented was charming, as it was of a high character. There was a fine selection of vocal and instrumental music, many of the performers gaining much well-merited applause. The tableaux, however, were the chief attraction, and each was a gem; the poses were so graceful that it would be difficult to say that one was superior to the other. These living pictures were: "Minerva," by Mrs. Charles Brown; "Our Little Native Daughters," Miss S. Dobbins, Miss Alice Tanner and Miss Alvina Burkhardt; "The Old and the New Woman," Miss A. Worth and Miss M. Long; "The Flower-girl," Miss Ida Gabarino; "The Three Graces," Mrs. F. Wolf, Miss Gertie Sloan and Miss Josie Wells; "Modern Girls in Ancient Disguise," Mrs. Theodore Lunstedt, Miss Belle O'Brien and Miss Amy Wehe; "Justice," Miss Mollie Long and Miss Annie Worth; "You Dirty Boy," Mrs. H. M. Greene and Mervyn Wehe.

Ancient Order of Foresters.

Organizer M. P. Light instituted Court Pinewood at Lakeview, Or., last Monday, and following is the list of officers for the first term: A. Y. Beach, P. C. R.; S. F. Alstrom, C. R.; F. V. Jeffries, S. C. R.; H. Schminck, T.; C. S. Benefiel, F. S.; G. Schlagel, S. W.; D. C. Schmick, J. W.; C. O. Metzker, S. B.; F. S. Fisher, J. B.; B. Daly and G. W. Stephson, court doctors.

During the past ninety days eleven courts of this order have been instituted.

Thomas Lindsey, founder of the order on the Pacific Coast, will leave for his home in the Sandwich Islands by steamer a week from to-morrow. Prior to his departure he will visit all the local courts. He will pay his farewell visit to Court Lincoln on Thursday.

Court Garfield gave a smoker to its friends last Thursday, when an interesting programme was presented to a large audience. Permanent Secretary Reisner delivered the principal address of the evening.

Court Bohemian will initiate several candidates at its meeting to-morrow night.

The following named have been appointed a committee to prepare the new ritual, which will be very similar to that in use on the Atlantic side: William Cashman, P. H. C. R.; S. Ferris of Oakland, F. McCracken of Pescadero, W. J. Tharpe and W. J. Locke of San Francisco. The committee will report within sixty days.

High Sub-Chief Ranger Boehm will visit Court Kensington on Wednesday.

Court Oak Grove will have an initiation next Wednesday. The founder of the order on this coast will be there.

Friends of the Forest.

Pioneer Council initiated several candidates last week and received ten applications. This parlor will give an entertainment in the latter part of November.

A new parlor, with thirty names on the charter list, will shortly be instituted in this City.

The wives and sisters of members of Court Lincoln, A. O. F., are preparing to organize themselves into a parlor of the Friends of the Forest.

Foresters of America.

The semi-annual report of the Supreme Court shows a net gain of 7078 members in the half year beginning January 1.

James E. Cox of Watsonville, grand trustee, will soon visit the courts located in San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties, as well as courts in Santa Barbara and Santa Cruz counties.

Court Castle Rock of Santa Barbara is reported in excellent condition by its deputy, R. H. Fulwider; initiations at every meeting and never a meeting passes by without some visitors being present.

The grand secretary has received the first installment of the new past chief rangers' jewels; all orders now on file will be filled before the end of the week.

Companions of the Forest.

Mrs. M. A. Duke, grand chief companion, accompanied by Miss A. D. Bremer, grand secretary, visited Stockton Circle, No. 130, in Stockton on last Tuesday evening, and Sonora Circle, No. 269, in Sonora on last Friday evening.

Inter Nos Circle No. 215 has arranged on an extensive scale for its third anniversary ball that will be given in Union-square Hall on Thursday, the 22d inst. The well known ability in the past of this circle to entertain is an assurance that the event will be a pleasant one.

The Chosen Friends.

The fourth of the series of meetings arranged by the grand councilor, held last Wednesday in the hall of Samarian Council, was largely attended. Seventeen candidates were initiated. The principal address of the evening was by W. F. Gibson, S. P., and it was loudly and frequently applauded. An excellent programme followed the business part of the meeting. Ten candidates who were to have been initiated at that meeting will be inducted into the mysteries in the hall of Social Council next Thursday.

Washington Council had two initiations last Wednesday. Home Council initiated one candidate at its last meeting.

Grand Councilor Boehm addressed an open meeting of Social Council last Thursday. A good programme was presented to the audience. There was a vocal solo by Mrs. F. Igo; recitation, Miss English; sailor's hornpipe, Maud Gray; vocal solo, Miss McClennan; concertina solo, H. Lukes; recitation, Miss M. Thompson; vocal solo, W. Goldsmith; recitation, A. Granger; vocal solo, Miss G. Baker; "All About Tommy Dagas," Walter Goldsmith and J. Kavanagh.

Grand Recorder Wallis will institute a new council at Chico on the 16th inst.

W. A. Peabody, organizer for the southern district, reports good progress in that section. It is expected that a new council will be instituted in Los Angeles next month.

The next of the series of grand council meetings will be on the 29th inst. under the auspices of Fairmount Council.

Grand Councilor Boehm visited Fairmount Council last week and at that meeting seven applications were received. On Saturday he visited Oakleaf Council.

United Ancient Order of Druids.

Last Friday Norma Grove elected officers for the ensuing term—C. H. Dumfee, N. A.; G. H. Bertram, S.; E. H. Goetje, T. This grove will install its officers and give a party on the 23d inst.

Petaluma Grove has elected W. Dittman, N. A.; George Sweetman, S., and A. Jacobsen, T. This grove is reported as doing well.

The social recently given by Golden Gate Circle netted a good financial result.

After the election Noble Arch Devoto, Grand Secretary Mollison and other grand officers will visit groves in Marin and Sonoma counties.

Windsor, Sonoma County, is anxious to establish a grove of Druids.

The various groves are electing officers for the ensuing term.

Roma Lodge will install its new officers in public.

The B'ne B'rith.

Ex-Grand Treasurer Joseph Platchek, who left this City for a European tour some time ago, will remain absent until the beginning of next year, as he intends to spend the winter months in Italy.

The committee on conference on a plan of endowment has finally elected one that will be submitted to the next Grand Lodge.

B. F. Peixotto Lodge of Salt Lake has become quite active of late. Seven candidates were initiated at a recent meeting.

At the meeting of California Lodge last Thursday J. L. Franklin, the president, presented it with a large handsomely framed portrait of himself in appreciation of the many kindnesses shown him by the members.

Colonel H. P. Bush, chairman of the Free Religious School committee, has received for the use of the school a number of new books in Hebrew and English containing the advanced method of imparting information.

The B. B. Hall Association has been made glad of late by the number of applications for quarters in the building. The auditorium is to be renovated and a new maple floor to be laid. Bids for the alterations will be opened on Wednesday.

The Knights of Pythias.

Last Tuesday evening Mars Lodge gave a farewell reception to those members who belong to the Fifth Artillery, U. S. A., and who have been ordered East. Among the visitors were Past Supreme Master-at-Arms George H. Morrison, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal H. Schaffner, M. A. Samuels, A. Hoffman, G. Schwarzman and T. F. Roach, who made short addresses. A collation was partaken of and the parting members were wished a pleasant journey and speedy return.

The grand keeper of records and seal will pay fraternal visits as follows: October 12, Sacramento Lodge; 13th, Confidence Lodge at Sacramento; 14th, Capitol Lodge, Sacramento; 15th, Columbia Lodge, Sacramento; 16th, Cedar Lodge, Dutch Flat; 22d, Placer Lodge, Newcastle; 23d, Auburn Lodge; 26th, Fern Leaf Lodge, Forest Hill; 30th, Summit Lodge, Truckee; 31st, Colfax Lodge.

Grand Chancellor McGlashan has announced the following visitations for the current week: Monday, Seville Lodge at Crockett; Tuesday, Fidelity at Napa; Wednesday, Pluto Lodge at St. Helena; Thursday, Tamalpais Lodge at San Rafael and Friday Alameda Lodge.

There were a number of visitors from surrounding lodges last Saturday at a well attended special convention of Pluto Lodge, Napa, when the knight rank in long form was conferred on ten applicants.

A division of the Uniform Rank will shortly be instituted at Forest Hill. It is understood that Brigadier-General H. Schaffner, retired, will be the instituting officer. Twenty-one names have been secured to a petition for a division at Grass Valley.

The first regiment of the Uniform Rank of California will elect a colonel Wednesday. San Jose division will give a ball on the 28th inst.

Knights and Ladies of Honor.

The total number of assessments for 1896 will not exceed those of 1895—that is, the amount paid per capita will be about the same.

Grand Protector Lander has issued an official circular calling the attention of the order in this State to the liberal inducements offered by the Supreme Lodge to active workers. A circular will shortly be issued calling attention to prizes offered by the Grand Lodge of this State.

Grand Vice-Protector Mrs. Belle W. Conrad was in this City last Thursday. She will deliver the address of welcome at the grand reception to be held in Union-square Hall on the evening of the 21st. Grand Protector T. A. Lander will deliver a short address.

The total membership of the order on the 1st of September was 80,199. The jurisdiction of New York is the largest, having 18,821 members.

Grand Secretary Carleton and other grand officers will visit Pacific Lodge to-morrow night.

The funeral of the late A. Hoelzle, who was Supreme vice-protector and grand secretary of the State of New York, was largely attended. Protector Lockard has decided to let the New York members nominate a successor to Mr. Hoelzle.

Knights of Honor.

Grand Dictator Archibald announced the following visitations: To San Jose, October 13; Healdsburg, October 20; East Oakland, October 26; Watsonville, October 28, and Santa Cruz, October 29.

The grand dictator has appointed T. H. Macdonald of Friendship Lodge grand trustee, vice Dorsan Nichols, resigned.

The grand officers will visit Anchor Lodge this evening, when three candidates will be initiated by Deputy Kipps.

The first member under the new law was received by America Lodge, the candidate being initiated by Deputy C. A. Garthorne, P. D., and the degree team from Fortuna Lodge. The event was celebrated by a banquet.

Polar Star Lodge has received seven applications for changes into class A. Last Monday night Liberty Lodge received thirty-three applications for changes into class A.

Last Thursday Fortuna Lodge received five applications. Grand Reporter Johnstone and Deputy Summers, who were present, addressed the lodge. In the near future T. Young will entertain the lodge with an address.

Grand Dictator Archibald addressed a largely attended meeting of Union Lodge last Tuesday. Among the visitors were Grand Reporter Johnstone, Grand Trustee Vincent, Grand Representative Crowe and Deputies Summers and Kipps.

Jr. Order United American Mechanics.

State Councilor Schaertzer will visit Stockton on the 15th inst., for the purpose of instituting a new council in that city.

Capitol Council is already preparing for the entertainment of the Grand Council of California that is to meet in Sacramento in March.

At its last held meeting the San Diego Council received five applications.

All those who are elected members of Alexander Hamilton Council between this date and November 12 will be initiated on that date.

There is a prospect of instituting a council of the Daughters of Liberty in Stockton in the near future.

State Councilor Schaertzer has issued a lengthy circular, in which, after quoting the decision of J. A. Richter, N. C., that subordinate councils of the order cannot, through regularly appointed committees or otherwise, indorse any political candidates, he says: "The foregoing decision was sustained by the National Council. In view of the above, subordinate councils of the order in California will refrain from either sending delegates to conventions or other organizations or conventions composed exclusively of delegates appointed, elected or sent by subordinate councils of our order, whose object is the indorsing of any candidate or candidates for political office."

Royal Arcanum.

Argonaut Council will meet this evening, when it is expected several applications, as a result of the recent smoker, will be presented.

There is some talk of organizing a ladies' auxiliary to the council, and the proposition meets with approval, for the reason that there is nothing of the kind in this City. Those who may feel an interest in the matter are requested to send communications to the secretary of Argonaut Council, at 32 O'Farrell street.

The death proofs in the case of Mr. Gibbs of New York, a member of the order who died in the French Hospital in this City, have finally been accepted. Mr. Gibbs was a stranger to members of the order in this City. The laws of the order require that the body of a deceased member must be positively identified by two members of the order in good standing who were personally acquainted with the deceased in his lifetime. After Gibbs died it was ascertained that he was a member of the order, but there was no member of the order here who knew him. There were found people who did know him, but they were not members of the order, so their depositions, accompanied by photographs of the deceased, were used, these having been verified by a notary. The identification by photograph and the affidavits were accepted.

Golden West Council now has twenty-six members.

Young Men's Institute.

The officers of the lecture bureau will meet this evening for the purpose of arranging future dates.

The entertainment to be given by Borromean Council on the 23d inst. promises to be a very enjoyable affair.

Eureka Council had four initiations last Thursday. During the latter part of the month the Council will give a dance.

Pioneer Council initiated four candidates at the last held meeting, and during the first six months of the year initiated forty-nine candidates.

The committee on employment, that will have for its purpose the procuring of employment for members of the order, effected a temporary organization last Wednesday by the election of Frank J. Kierce president and R. C. Miller secretary. A sub-committee will meet to-morrow to prepare a set of rules.

John J. Silva, first vice-president of Alameda Council, William J. de Cantillon, past president of Eureka Council, and William Mulcahy of Seghers Council, Victoria, B. C., called at the office of the grand secretary last week.

Mission Council gives its annual entertainment and ball on Thanksgiving eve in Mission Parlor Hall. The committee of arrangements is composed of James J. Meher, chairman; E. J. Callan, J. F. Comyns and J. E. Richards Jr.

Improved Order of Red Men.

Kiowa Tribe visited Osceola Tribe last Monday evening and assisted in conferring the adoption degree on a paleface captured by the Osceolas. This evening the team of Kiowa Tribe will exemplify the degree.

The entertainment and hop recently given by White Eagle Tribe to its friends was a most successful affair, and it was thoroughly appreciated by all. During the evening there was a tug-of-war between a team of White Eagle and one of Sotoyome Tribe, which, after a twenty-minute tug, was won by the Eagles. There was a good programme and dancing.

Sotoyome Tribe received several applications last Thursday and two applications for the warrior and chief's degree. Great Representative Brandt gave an interesting account of his visit East and of the doings of the Great Council. The committee reported that all arrangements have been made for the ball to be given on the 27th inst.

The National Union.

At its last held meeting California Council initiated three candidates, the ceremony being followed by an enjoyable entertainment, songs, music, interesting addresses and refreshments.

Assessment No. 189 has been called, delinquent November 10.

Independent Foresters.

Court San Francisco will hold an informal reception this evening in Laurel Hall, Shiels building, in honor of Oronhyatekha, supreme chief ranger of the order.

The Good Templars.

Wideawake Band of Hope, assisted by Evening Star Lodge, will give a musical and literary entertainment next Thursday evening at 590 Mission street. Each person visiting the place will be entitled to a chance to secure a log cabin quilt.

QUITZOW TALKS OF CITIZENSHIP

Gives His Ideas of What Constitutes a Good Citizen.

Says Something More Is Needed Than Regular Habits and Church Membership.

MUST VOTE CONSCIENTIOUSLY.

Decares That High Taxes Are Due to Citizens Failing to Perform Their Full Duty.

The Good Citizenship meeting at Metropolitan Temple yesterday afternoon was not the success the management anticipated. Dr. Derrick, who was down on the programme as the "Oakland Orator," was to have discoursed on "Good Citizenship," but failed to put in an appearance. It was given out that he had been called to the bedside of a sick friend.

This was not the only discouraging feature of the day, however. The programmes failed to arrive on time, and the audience was equally slow in putting in an appearance. This was probably advantageous to the management, for it had agents at the head of the stairs soliciting every voter to sign the application of the Independent candidates who are now seeking to have their names placed on the regular ticket.

In spite of these drawbacks, however, the meeting was far from being a failure. There were songs and recitations, and a speech by Chairman Quitzow. He, too, selected the subject of "Good Citizenship," but his remarks were directed largely to the political issues of the day. Among other things he said:

I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience, and, judging the future by the past, what has been our experience gained from the want of good citizenship?

There seems to be a very vague idea of what constitutes a good citizen.

It is generally supposed that a man is a good citizen who attends to his business, has regular habits, is industrious, frugal, temperate, saving, and who goes to church regularly, is a kind and good husband and father.

At first glance hardly any one would hesitate to say surely one with all these virtues must be a good citizen; but I will risk it to say yes, he is a good man, but I will deny that he is a good citizen.

A man to be a good citizen should have all the good qualities heretofore enumerated, but he must also do something for the community, the county and State that secure to him the privileges he enjoys and enable him to enjoy the protection of a good government and thereby the fruits of his many virtues.

What he should do for himself, his family, his business, his neighbor and the community is to acquaint himself with the politics of his country. The whole American fabric of self-government depends upon the intelligence of its people, and how can a man—an American—know where the immense drainage upon his resources, made in the shape of excessive taxation, comes from if he does not acquaint himself with the primary cause of such burdens?

The primary cause of the excessive taxes of the City and County of San Francisco, for instance, is a neglect of the so-called good citizen to attend to his duties as a citizen.

What does he do when it comes to trusting the management of the affairs of the City or the State into the hand of the office-seeker, or, better named, tax eater? Does he try to inform himself of the qualifications, the honesty and capability of the man who asks him to trust him with expending of moneys derived from taxation? No, he votes for him because he is a Democrat, a Republican or what not. What should he do to perform his duty as a good citizen? He should take an active part in primary politics.

HANDBALL COURTS.

Several More Than Usually Interesting and Exciting Games Played Yesterday.

The handball courts were crowded yesterday afternoon and a number of more than usually exciting and interesting games were witnessed. At the San Francisco Court the chief attraction was a game in which Ed Foy and R. Murphy, two boys, played against J. Lawless and D. Connolly and defeated them, winning the final by five aces. Another great game was played between J. Feeney and R. Linehan and P. T. Donnelly, the amateur champion, and T. F. Bonnet, the former team winning in three straights.

At the Union Court several new players made their appearance and did some clever work with the ball for beginners. The event of the day was a game in which R. Lenihan and Terry McManus, the heavy-weight champion, played against J. J. Feeney and J. Nelson. It was hotly contested from start to finish and resulted in Lenihan and McManus winning the final by four aces. Following were the games played in the courts:

San Francisco Court—P. Ryan and J. Rodgers played G. McDonald and R. Shea, and each side won a rub. M. McLaughlin and J. White defeated J. Collins and M. Tierney, 12—15, 10—21, 21—13. C. Carson defeated J. Brady, 21—12, 16—21, 21—10. J. Sullivan and D. Nolan defeated M. Carroll and J. Sweeney, 21—11, 18—21, 21—15. Ed Foy and R. Murphy, the juvenile team, defeated J. Lawless and D. Connolly, 21—11, 19—21, 21—17, 8—21, 21—16. J. Feeney and R. Linehan defeated P. Donnelly, the amateur champion, and T. F. Bonnet, 21—17, 21—12, 21—9. R. Linehan and Al Pennoyer were defeated by M. J. Killgallon and M. Dillon, 21—17, 14—21, 21—12, 10—21, 21—15.

Union Court—J. Quinlan and F. Kiernan defeated W. Glynn and Thomas Glynn, 21—17, 15—21, 21—16. J. Murphy and P. Mihan defeated T. Jordan and T. Daly, 21—13, 12—21, 21—9. T. C. Willey and R. Driscoll defeated James Lyons and J. Flynn, 21—16, 14—21, 21—18. R. Murphy and W. Casserly defeated E. Duffy and W. Burnell, 21—18, 17—21, 21—16. R. Parkinson and James O'Donnell defeated R. Shields and J. Roger, 21—19, 17—21, 21—20. W. Savage and W. P. Doran defeated J. Galvin and W. Heffernan, 21—13, 17—21, 21—12. J. Collins and E. Corley defeated James White and W. Prince, 21—16, 15—21, 21—19. R. Lenihan and Terry McManus defeated J. J. Feeney and J. Nelson, 21—17, 18—21, 17—21, 21—15, 21—17.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

NEW WESTERN HOTEL.

Miss L Forden, Bethany; W A Nichols, Lovelock; J Chubot, Lovelock; Miss K Fouly, Calistoga; J Cumisky, Calistoga; G Morelli & w, San Jose; D J Becker, San Jose; H Ganywogan & s, Cal; P O Sanders, Belmont; J Gain, San Jose; H O Greve, Milwaukee; W Stoiker, N Y; W Edrow, N Y; J Dutra, Boston; H B Teater, Boston; E Blanquist, Boston; J Brown, Boston; S Brosse, Boston; J Beydston, Los Ang; E Crow, Los Angeles; R M Aukland, Mo; J O'Conner, Honey Lake; N Smith, Stockton; R P McDonald, Stockton; J Y Sweeney, Stockton; H C Seidere, Sa to; Mrs Mercer, England; H D Greve, Eng land; J F Stout, N Y; C L Brown, Boston; A W Carter, Stockton; G H Campbell & w, Cal; H White, Stockton; M White, Stockton; C Chase, Stockton; H Lockhead, Stockton; R Pare, Stockton; W Billings, Stockton; J Waters, Stockton; J Wiscarver, Portland; J G Wiscarver, Portland; J N Wiscarver, Portland; M Jones & f, Penalta; J Pelton, Alaska; Mrs C H Lugrin, Seattle; Miss G Lugrin, Seattle; J R Rodgers & w, Mont; E J Dawson, San Andreas; H Holborn, Stockton; W H Dezing, Trinity co; J Ludd, Alaska; W Janke & f, Eureka; F C La Duke, R M S; K Moffitt, Summit.

BALDWIN HOTEL.

C Morgan, Grass Valley; G Baker, Benicia; A Brownstein, Los Ang; M P Stein & w, Stockton; Miss Marks, Stockton; J O'Reilly, Los Angeles; F W Bradshaw, Chicago; J R Lepscot & w, Yreka; Mrs Wadsworth, Yreka; W A Caswell, Sacto; J L Depanti, Reno; O C Kramer, Los Angeles; C Holtzman, Columbus; W C Rood, Mexico; R P Quinn, Watsonville.

LICK HOUSE

E E Danforth & w, Los A; Owen Moran & w, Napa; Jno J Mooney, Visalia; W E Rogers, Amalie; Grayson Lewis, St Louis; E A McQuade & w, B C; K Casper, Vallejo; E B Dana, N Y; J F Chiles, Davisville; Geo W Jordan, Los Ang; W N Chester, U S S Alert; John Huston, Cal; B S Jarrett & w, Joplin; D W Jenks, Modoc; J Van Nahuys, Merced; J F Ramage, Stockton; John Rickersmith, Cal; T E Connolly & w, Cal; C F Nicol, Nicaragua; Salvador Koenigsberger, Guatemala; Mrs Max Krolik & f, Guatemala; Guatemala; Miss Fish, Guatemala; S H Brooks, Cal; R Cox, Cal; A Binkley, Cal; J Hayes, Sierra City; G D Edmunds & w, Cal; J H Lindsay & w, Cal; S O Cassity & w, Merced; S Wolff, Traver; C Dudley & w, Reedley; M Quirk, Denney; Mrs S M Moed, S Cruz.

PALACE HOTEL.

G O Kruse, New York; R Graham, Sacramento; J Eagleton, New York; T Walker, England; Capt Callaghan, London; Dr W T Taylor, Livermore; C C Powning, Reno; R C de Winton, Belgium; E C Oberteufer, Seattle; H P Isaacs, Walla Walla; Ben Sheeks, Tacoma; G W Fogg, Tacoma; W H Plummer, Spokane; M J Winstock, Baltimore; F P Schumann, Guate; F Rader, Los Angeles; D B Fearing, Newport; Mrs Fearing & md, Newpt; Axel Lagergren, Chicago; Carl Schmidt, New York; Mrs W H Coffin, Ft Canby; J H C Coffin, U S N; M Chamber, New York; M Chambers, New York; Grove Johnson, Sac; Dr Seifert, San Jose; P B Armstrong, Acampo; F Francis, England; N F Wilshire, Covington; Miss Carpenter, Los Ang; Mrs N F Wilshire, Covington.

GRAND HOTEL.

J T Saunders, Cal; H E Wren, Grass Valley; T G Akers & w, Truckee; Mrs C W Curtis, Cal; T Ingham, Grass Valley; F R Ainsworth, Ft Aug; J P Pendergrass, Cal; J B Merrill, Visalia; C E Boyd, Hanford; Miss M Walter, Cal; Mrs W Hugh, Cal; J Rice, Carson, Nev; H Van Marstan, Cal; W Murry, Sacto; E M Jackson, Sacto; N Mitjos, San Jose; C T Lindsay, Visalia; C E Ray, Los Angeles; J L Barham, Red Bluff; P Thomson, N Y; J R Rinnan, Seattle; P F Quinn, Spokane; J H Maggard, Springfield; M J Winston, Md; E M Force, N Y; B Brown, Cal; G G Focke, Germany; R F Frye, Volcano; C C Waring, N Y; J L Glayan, Grass Valley; J J Taffe, Grass Valley; G C Turner, Cal; E J Fee, Bidwell; H H Fee, Bidwell; E F Miller, Sacto; L H Alexander, Cal; S W Griffith, Fresno; M Chambers & wf, N Z; J W Scott, w & c, Mo; A Thomas, Grass Valley; Mrs N Cox, Fresno; M Wassman, L Angeles; J E Winslow, N Mex; E Megbein, Chico; A K Baird & w, S Cruz; J Hunter & w, S Cruz; Mrs A Hurst, Redding; H G Melvin, Sacramento; S Sparkman & w, Orland; R A Blair, Stockton; E T Frazer & w, Sacto; C H Baros, Yolo; J E Kennedy, Livermore; J S Miller, Stockton; A J Hinds, S Cruz; T Boyd, Santa Maria; G G Sickels, Mare Is; J E Spencer, Wash, D C; W B Goodrich, Wash, D C; F C Shrader, Wash, D C; J Barrett, Alaska; Mrs J S Barnes, Alaska; G E Bettler, w & c, Yuma; Miss Bettler, Yuma; Mrs N H Smith, Cal; P H Graham, Williams; A N Campbell, Cal; W Dwinell, Sacramento; P McDonald, Trinity C; G Wan, Willows; J S Mills, Stockton; W T Lucas, S Maria; H C Bagley, Cal; Mrs P Moise, S L Obispo.

Explanation.

The arrow flies with the wind. The top figures at station indicate maximum temperature for the days; those underneath it, if any, the amount of rainfall, of melted snow in inches and hundredths, during the past twelve hours. Isobars, or solid lines, connect points of equal air pressure; isotherms, or dotted lines, equal temperature. The word "high" means high barometric pressure and is usually accompanied by fair weather; "low" refers to low pressure and is usually preceded and accompanied by cloudy weather and rains. "Lows" usually first appear on the Washington coast. When the pressure is high in the interior and low along the coast, and the isobars extend north and south along the coast, rain is probable; but when the "low" is inclosed with isobars of marked curvature, rain south of Oregon is improbable. With a "high" in the vicinity of Idaho, and the pressure falling to the California coast, warmer weather may be expected in summer and colder weather in winter. The reverse of these conditions will produce an opposite result.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORT.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11, 1896, 5 P. M.—Weather conditions and general forecast:

The following maximum temperatures are reported from stations in California to-day:

Eureka 56, Red Bluff 72, San Francisco 65, Fresno 72, San Luis Obispo 74, Los Angeles 72, San Diego 66, Yuma 94.

San Francisco data—Maximum temperature 65, minim