NEWS OF WESTERN FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

THAT visitations by a grand president of the Native Daughters of the Golden West are not all pleasure may be gathered from the fact that during the recent official tour of Grand President Keith, which extended from October 20 to December 8, she visited thirty-two parlors distributed in the counties of Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Kern, Los Angeles, Merced, Sacramento, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Sierra, Stanislaus, Santa Barbara, Tuolumne, Tulare and Ventura. To make these visits she traveled 2000 miles by rail and 250 by stage, 1150 miles of that distance being in the two weeks preceding the last given date. "To make this itinerary," said the grand president, "it necessitated traveling all day and attending meetings night after night." In only a few cases could she remain more than thirty-six hours in any one place. If she remained two nights in one locality she felt like an old settler. During her absence from the city the grand president kept herself in touch with the office of the grand secretary and the order at large by using the mails and wires to respond to the many calls upon her attention, and writing no less than 300 communications, besides preparing several circulars of instruction to subordinate parlors. On all sides she was hailed as one of the hardest working grand presidents who has ever filled the office in that order and everywhere she went the parlors demonstrated their appreciation of her efforts to bring the order up to a high standard of excellence.

While in Ventura County the grand president and grand secretary visited the Palm Tree Park of the Native Daughters' Improvement Club; also the mission of San Buenaventura, where the grand president was given an opportunity to examine the old records that were written by Father Junipero Serra. They were shown all points of interest about the place by Mrs. Day and Mrs. Arneal, prominent Native Daughters of Ventura. While at Santa Paula the grand officers were the guests of Miss Anna Henderson, grand trustee, and Mrs. Todd Jingling, delegate to the last held Grand Parlor. At Visalia they were the guests of Mrs. Alice Jordan and Mrs. Dr. Petit. Throughout their trip they were treated with the greatest courtesy and generous hospitality, and also made the recipients of souvenirs and of tokens of fraternal love and esteem.

On the evening of December 15 Grand President Eliza D. Keith and Grand Secretary Laura J. Frakes paid an official visit to Darina Parlor. There were present Grand Marshal Emma Gruber Foley and Grand Trustee Kathryn McGough, Past Grand Presidents Bertola, Conrad, Mills and Baker, also Mrs. Julia A. Steinbach, the mother of the parlor, and representatives from almost every parlor in the city. The hall, which had been prettily decorated with evergreens, flowers and garlands, was crowded to its limit. There was an exemplification of the work of the order and the comments by the grand president were followed by the presentation to that officer, as a souvenir of the visit, of a gold-lined silver creamer and sugar bowl, and of a gold pen and pearl handle to Grand Secretary Frakes. The former was presented by Miss Brown, the president, and the latter by Dr. Temple. Mrs. Julia A. Steinbach was presented by a number of her friends with bunches of beautiful flowers, as was also Past Grand President Mrs. Baker, and to Dr. Bertola a souvenir spoon was given. An excellent banquet was served, one that surpassed any previous effort of the parlor in that line. Many of the visitors expressed their gratification at being able to meet the grand president. After adjournment all present were invited to partake of the hospitality of the parlor in the banquet hall, to which many repaired, and there short addresses were delivered by grand officers and prominent visitors. Just before the party left the hall for the banquet room, and while many visitors were in the anterooms putting on their wraps, there was a little incident in which the chairman of the committee of arrangements and two members of the parlor figured which demonstrated the great sisterly love that exists in the parlor. It was in relation to the distribution of certain bunches of flowers, and the words that were spoken on the subject were such as to attract the attention of the visitors and cause them to exclaim in one accord, "What a shame that we don't have more such exhibitions of sisterly affection."

The Christmas party given by Golden State Parlor No. 50, N. D. G. W., in the Assembly Hall of the Pioneer building, on the night of the 19th of December, was a jolly affair that was attended by as many as could crowd into the hall. "Santy Claus" was, as usual, personated by Miss Johanna Meyer, "the funmaker" of the parlor. There was a procession of the children, who were each given a bag of candy and nuts, also a toy, after which there were some humorous presents for members and a programme of dancing and entertainment. The affair was under the direction of Mrs. B. Denahey, Johanna Meyer, Millie Tietjen, Tillie Decker, Gussie Schade, L. Fahrenkrug, P. Buhr and K. Shannahan.

La Estrella Parlor No. 89 had a Christmas tree party in the Sierra Hall of the Native Sons' building, on December 20, which was well attended and proved to be a delightful function.

Grand President Eliza D. Keith has rendered a decision to the effect that no parlor can omit a regular meeting or to change the night of meeting because a regular meeting night falls on a holiday. She holds that for a change of meeting night there must be an amendment to the by-laws of the parlor desiring such a change.

The grand president had not intended to visit the parlors of San Francisco until after the 1st of February, but by special request she visited Orinda, Darina and Fremont parlors. At the meeting of Orinda parlor the visiting official was asked a great many questions, and these were answered in a manner that the answers will serve as a guide for the members in the future. In Darina Parlor, on the occasion of the official visit, there was a great deal of enthusiasm and the grand president, as has already been announced, was presented a silver creamer and sugar bowl with initials thereon in ribbon monogram, and a large cake bearing her name, that of the office she holds and the date.

The official visit of the grand president and grand secretary to Piedmont Parlor was an exceedingly pleasant one. There were present a large number of visitors who took a deep interest in the proceedings. After the work and instructions, there was the presentation to the grand president of an illustrated book of the missions of California. Then followed a banquet, at which there were many speeches, one being by Mrs. Sanborn of Aloha Parlor, who gave an account of the Thanksgiving exercises, held jointly by Piedmont and Aloha parlors. She spoke of the membership of the two parlors as "the Native Daughters of Oakland," and said that they will yet build a Native Daughters' hall in the city of Oaks. During the evening the grand president expressed her appreciation of the fact that during the initiatory ceremonies in the early part of the evening the members sang "Native Land," and she personally thanked Mrs. Jennie Brown, the organist, for having drilled the members to a state of proficiency in rendering that song. Grand Treasurer Homerly was to have been present, but was unavoidably absent on account of illness.

At all official visits the grand president urges upon the officers and members to study well the parliamentary law and digest of parlor laws which appear in the proceedings, issued this year, so that all may understand their rights.

DRUIDISM.

On the evening of the 4th inst. there will be established in this city a grand retreat of the Elvin degree. This is a California degree, originated by Noble Grand Arch Guglielmoni during the current term. It is intended as a reward of merit to any Druid of the jurisdiction of California who, in his grove in this State, or in the State of Nevada, shall have had initiated from three to five strangers, or who shall have had a like number initiated into any other grove. Each Druid who shall have performed the work required will have the degree conferred upon him and in addition be decorated with a bronze button of merit.

Past Noble Grand Arch Judge Buck of Redwood City was in this city last week and visited the office of the grand secretary to offer the compliments of the season. C. D. Dorn, a prominent member of the order, a resident of Salinas, was also in the city and called on the grand secretary for the same purpose.

Past Noble Grand Arch Hoag of Santa Rosa met with an accident while out driving a short time since, which confined him to his home for several days. He has, however, so far recovered as to enable him to attend to his duties as secretary of Santa Rosa Grove.

El Dorado Circle had a Christmas tree party in Washington Square Hall on the night of the 27th of December, at which there were nearly 400 persons present. There was an immense tree in the hall. It was brilliant with decorations and little packages, and Thomas Thornhill, acting as Santa Claus, distributed 230 presents to old and young. The party, which was well arranged, closed with dancing under the direction of Floor Manager James F. Martinoni and it was midnight before the merry gathering broke up. The committee that arranged this affair consisted of Mrs. A. Thornhill, Mrs. O. Heiden, Mrs. Muis, Mrs. J. Grosch and Mrs. Kate Martinoni. Among the many who were present were Mrs. Frances J. Williams, the grand arch Druidess; the grand secretary and grand first bard.

During December Noble Grand Arch Guglielmoni, accompanied by Grand Secretary Martinoni, visited Fairfield, where they were met by H. Meinke and Ralph C. Miller, who drove them to their destination, and in the evening they visited Solano Grove, where they were received by a large proportion of the membership. During the evening seven of the most prominent citizens of the town were initiated, the grand officers filling the chairs of noble and vice arch. They then visited Acorian Grove in Sacramento, having been escorted to the hall by W. S. Gloria, the noble arch, and J. Goularte, past arch of that grove, and M. M. Zarich of Walhalla Grove. The hall was crowded and the grove's team initiated two candidates in the Portuguese language, acquitting themselves well and being highly praised by the grand officers. Since the first of November this grove has initiated nine members in addition to thirty-two admitted by initiation during the term. Walhalla Grove was next visited and there the grand officers, assisted by Past Arch Getz, conferred the second and third degrees on several occasions. The noble grand arch talked to the members on the subject, work for the order in that city. The grand secretary spoke of the institution of a circle in that city, in view of the fact that the grand circle will meet there that year. The suggestion was received with favor, and it is likely that one will be organized during the visit of Grand Arch Druidess Frances J. Williams. She will take up her residence temporarily in that city while her husband, Senator Williams, will be in the Legislature.

The next visit of the grand officers was to California and El Dorado groves in Placerville. There was a large attendance and after the initiation of two well known citizens, during which the grand secretary made a proficient inside guard, the work was followed by a banquet, at which M. Mayer, P. A., was toastmaster. During their stay the officers were shown the sights of Placerville and vicinity and also taken to the grave of once Noble Grand Arch of this jurisdiction, Frederick Seig.

The grand officers then went to Reno, Nev., where they were met by a committee that escorted them to the grove. There were about seventy-five present, and the grand officers were well pleased with the work that this grove has done since it was instituted. They conferred the second and third degrees on a number of candidates. A banquet followed the work and during the evening the members of the Reno grove announced that they will, in the near future, charter a special car to go to Dayton, to assist to institute a new grove there.

FORESTERS OF AMERICA.

Court Grafton of the Foresters of America has arranged for a grand banquet on the night of the 15th of February.

Cours de France at its meeting on the 17th of December initiated eighteen strangers.

The officers of Court Verbano and those of Verbano Circle will be jointly installed in Oakland on the 10th of January.

On December 19 Court Inter Nos initiated a class of thirty-two strangers.

The officers of Court Barbarossa will be installed on the 3d of January, after which there will be a collation.

Court San Francisco will have a prize masquerade in Union Square Hall on January 17.

Court Mokelumne of Lodi initiated twenty-five candidates on the 22d of December.

On the evening of the 22d of December Court Justice had a grand Christmas tree party for the children of the members. The event was in the social hall of the Alcazar building, and there were present a large number of people in addition to about 200 youngsters. The children were formed in line and marched to an immense Christmas tree, where each was given a package of sweetmeats and then a numbered ticket, which entitled the holder to visit the banquet hall, where Santa Claus presented each a good, substantial toy, suited to the sex of the holder. After this the little ones were allowed the main hall and corridors for half an hour for themselves. Then there was a programme of entertainment and dancing for the adults, who entered into the spirit of the occasion with as much good feeling and enthusiasm as did the little ones. Those who had charge of this very pleasant affair were F. Jileck, J. Bacon, A. F. Brinkman, F. Hamberger, H. Leopold, E. Sewell, E. Brehm, G. Graves and Chief Ranger Cadigan.

Court Oakland had a ladies' night in Foresters' Hall, Oakland, December 27 and had a very enjoyable time.

At a recent meeting of Giuseppi Grove of San Rafael a large class of candidates were initiated.

The officers of Court Pride of Alameda will be installed in public on the evening of the 9th of January.

At a recent meeting of Loreley Circle Mrs. Lippi, past chief companion, presented the circle a handsome silk flag to decorate the altar.

AMERICAN COMPANIONS.

Grand Chief Companion Mrs. H. Worms recently paid an official visit to Lonely Circle in this city and witnessed the work performed in that body for the last time in the German language, for at the next meeting the circle will conduct its work in the English language. There was a good attendance of members of the order, including Grand Recording Secretary Mrs. Connell and Grand Trustee Mrs. Beverson. There were a number of addresses aside from those of the grand officers, and during the evening a silver salver was presented to the grand chief companion by the circle as a souvenir of the occasion.

The Christmas tree party that was given by New Century Circle recently was well attended and proved a great success in every sense of the word. There was a grand march, during which candy, fruits and nuts were distributed to the little ones by Kris Kringle, after which there were winter games and dancing. The affair was under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Zeissing, chairman, and Mrs. M. Lemme, secretary of the social committee.

The following named have been elected officers for Robin Hood Circle for the ensuing term:

Mamie Schoen, chief companion; Jennie Weisel, sub chief; Dr. W. A. Atwood, recording secretary; Mertha Bruce, financial secretary; Mrs. O. C. Miller, treasurer.

Grand Chief Companion Mrs. Worms announces the following official visitations for January: Fourteenth, to Court Concordia Circle, Sacramento; 16th, to Freedom Circle, Nevada City; 19th, to Sadi Carnot Circle, Oakland; 21st, to Heliotrope Circle, San Jose; 23d, to Violet Circle, Soledad, and 28th, to Richmond Circle, this city.

James G. Blaine Circle of the Companions of the Forest of America has elected the following as its officers for the current term: Mrs. M. H. Cartwright, chief companion; Mrs. J. Sewell, past chief companion; Mrs. J. Smith, sub chief ranger; Mrs. L. Label, recording secretary; Mrs. W. A. McDowell, financial secretary; Mrs. J. J. Cordy, treasurer; Mrs. R. Kline, right guide; Mrs. H. Madlock, left guide; Mrs. P. E. Kiley, inside guard; Mrs. C. F. Metzner, outside guard; Dr. Frank Emmel, physician; W. J. Beattie, M. E. Livingston and L. Label, trustees; Miss E. McColne, organist. On the evening of the 30th of December the circle gave its first social in the assembly hall of the Alcazar building, which was well attended and proved a very enjoyable affair. The function was under the direction of Mrs. Phil E. Kiley, Mrs. J. Sewell, Mrs. L. Label and M. E. Livingston.

ANCIENT ORDER OF WORKMEN.

The officers arranging for a large class initiation in Los Angeles expect to have a class of 500 for the close of the month in Hazard's Pavilion. The grand master and grand recorder left for Los Angeles December 27 to be at that class initiation. After the initiation the grand recorder will leave for Chicago to attend the session of the relief board of the order.

All the lodges of the order are preparing for the induction into office of the officers who have been selected for the ensuing term. The lodges of the Degree of Honor are also preparing for installation.

Valley Lodge will install its officers on the 7th inst. in private.

MISS ANITA FERGUSON. OF CALIFORNIA CHAPTER O.E.S. HAUSSLER PHOTO.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

Ellery's Royal Italian Band set December 30 as Woodmen's night and specially fine music was offered. Every member of this world famous band is a member of the Woodmen of the World.

A new camp of the Woodmen of the World was instituted in this city on December 22 and it has been named Temple, in honor of the late State Organizer W. L. Temple, who was one of the victims of the railroad wreck at Byron. The following are the officers of the new camp.

T. F. Farrell, past council commander; H. M. Buckley, council commander; A. W. Morgenstern, adviser lieutenant; E. S. Ely, banker; H. H. Varney, clerk; A. H. Sampson, escort; J. C. Drathman, watchman; Loring Merriam, sentry; Dr. J. H. Seymour, physician.

The new camp sent a letter of sympathy to the widow of the late organizer and also apprised her of the adoption of the name.

ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

The officers of Court Apollo of the Ancient Order of Foresters will be installed in the A. O. F. building on the 3d of January.

Court Bournemouth and Bournemouth Circle have made arrangements for a joint installation of officers during the early part of January.

J. B. Sanford has returned from a visit to the south, and is well pleased with prospects in that part of the jurisdiction.

The representatives of the local courts held a meeting on December 27 in connection with the large class initiation that is under way. The high chief ranger was present, as were also several members of the executive council. There are already low candidates secured for that initiation.

A new circle of the Companions of the Forest was instituted last week in Windsor by Supreme Chief Companion Mrs. A. Boehm, assisted by Supreme Treasurer Mrs. Berger and Supreme Trustee Mrs. Valenti.

Court German America of the Ancient Order of Foresters has elected the following named as its officers for the ensuing term:

Louis Plagemann, chief ranger; H. Toepher, substitute chief ranger; Hugo Stamke, financial secretary; J. B. Heim, recording secretary; Fred Gessler, treasurer; M. F. Plagemann, senior woodward; Charles Pipke, junior woodward; G. Dietle, senior beadle; F. Brokowsky, junior beadle; Christ Hauser, high court deputy; Paul Haman, J. C. Plagemann, J. Scheuern, trustees; W. J. Plagemann, M. A. Stammer, J. Hassmer, auditors; Dr. F. Kuckein, physician; installation, January 22.

Court Justice will celebrate the eleventh anniversary of its institution by an entertainment and dance in the social hall of the A. O. F. building on the 21st inst.

On the 24th inst. there will be a party in the social hall of the A. O. F. building as a compliment to the officers and the degree and drill team who recently took part in the successful class initiation in this city. The members of the teams are to be tendered a banquet.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The reception by the officers of Ivy Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star to the members on the 23d inst. was a most enjoyable function. There was a pleasant hour after the routine business of the evening and then followed a collation.

Grand Matron Mrs. Seymour has returned from a tour of visitations to the chapters in Humboldt County.

Golden Gate Chapter has appointed a committee to arrange for a party to be given at a date to be fixed.

Miss Eva E. Hare, the courteous secretary of Harmony Chapter, was married on Christmas eve to Frank W. Garrison of this city. She is the only daughter of the popular secretary of the San Francisco Masonic Board of Relief and secretary of South San Francisco Lodge, F. and A. M.

MASONIC INSTALLATION.

The following named have been installed as the officers of La Parfaite Union No. 17, F. and A. M., for the current term: A. Huguenin, worshipful master; L. A. Gerhart, senior warden; Julius S. Godeau, junior warden; Jules Auradou, treasurer; P. S. Julian, secretary; Em Meyer, chaplain; O. Bozio, marshal; E. Serveau, senior deacon; T. Sehablague, junior deacon; L. Grothwell and T. Freyer, stewards; and T. Lagrange, tyler. M. E. Deibold was the installing officer and J. M. Dupas master of ceremonies. After the ceremonies there was an adjournment to a rotisserie, where a banquet was partaken of by nearly two hundred.

ODD FELLOWS.

Grand Master Gill announces visitations as follows: January 5, to Fidelity Lodge; 6th, to Herman Lodge; 7th to Spartan Lodge, and 8th, to Occidental Lodge.

The visit of the members of Golden State Lodge to Danville Lodge on the night of the 27th of December was a very pleasant one as well as instructive to the visited subordinate. Grand Secretary Shaw was present and there were in all about forty visitors. They were all welcomed with that cordiality which characterizes the lodges of the interior. The officers of the visiting lodge from Vallejo conferred the initiatory and the three degrees on four candidates for the sitting lodge, and did their work almost free from error. After the work there was a banquet prepared by the ladies of the Rebekah Lodge, and it kept the company together until late in the morning.

Golden Gate Encampment on the 27th inst. conferred the Royal Purple degree on several eligibles. It held a special meeting last Tuesday to confer degrees on others.

Cosmopolitan Lodge will install its officers on the 7th inst.; Parker Lodge will install on the 13th.

Amity Lodge of the Rebekahs had a pleasant party on the night of the 27th of December, at which there was a large attendance.

Mission Rebekah Lodge gave a Christmas tree party on the night of December 27 to the children of the members. There was a "jolly good time" for the youngsters, and after the little ones had been cared for the adults danced for an hour or two.

On the 19th of January California Lodge will be visited by the Veterans' Association, also by the Past Grands' Association. There will be an entertainment for the visitors.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

The financial report of the supreme office of the Knights of Honor, received in this city last week, shows that during the month of December there were 118 deaths, the beneficiary claims for which were all paid before the last day of the month. There remained on hand $16,196 and the amount of the assessment collected during December will amount to $251,000, which will make a total of $267,136 to commence business with in January.

Carquinez Lodge had a smoker last week which was well attended and the members and their friends had a very enjoyable time.

At the last held meeting of Ivy Lodge a stranger was initiated and one application was received, making five that the lodge has to act upon at the next meeting.

Germania Lodge will install its officers on the 13th inst., after which there will be a programme of entertainment and a collation. This for members of the order only.

The officers of Yerba Buena Lodge will be installed on the 12th inst.

Liberty Lodge will have a public installation of its officers in the Social Hall of the Alcazar building on the second Monday in January.

The Past Dictators' Association held a meeting last night and elected its officers for the ensuing term.

Grand Dictator Archibald and Grand Reporter Johnstone have sent a circular to every member of the order setting forth its condition at this time.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

According to the semi-annual returns some of the net gains in lodges of the Knights of Pythias in the domain of California are as follows:

Washington Lodge No. 7 of Vallejo, 34; Fidelity Lodge No. 23 of Napa, 45; Damocles Lodge No. 33 of Winters, 16; Liberty Lodge No. 35 of West Oakland, 28; Alameda Lodge No. 49 of Alameda, 16; Tamalpais Lodge No. 60 of San Rafael, 13; Friendship Lodge No. 91 of Healdsburg, 36; Aetna Lodge No. 107 of Pomona, 35; Suisun Lodge No. 111 of Suisun, 29; Iolantne Lodge No. 113 of Watsonville, 13; West Oakland Lodge No. 141 of West Oakland, 25; Red Star Lodge No. 153 of San Diego, 39; Arroyo Grande Lodge No. 160 of Arroyo Grande, 13; Sequoia Lodge No. 188 of San Francisco, 14; Dirigo Lodge No. 224 of Oakland, 37. The record for the term ending December 31 bids fair to eclipse the above. Who says the Knights of Pythias of California are "dead ones?"

Grand Chancellor Trask's December itinerary of official visitations included a visit to San Diego on the 12th, Pomona on the 15th, San Bernardino on the 16th, Santa Ana on the 17th, Whittier on the 19th, Riverside on the 22d and Colton on the 24th.

"Our Schaff" was a guest of honor at a smoker given recently by Vallejo Company No. 49, U. R., at Vallejo. There was an interesting programme of entertainment.

On the last day of 1902 Avalon Company of Santa Cruz installed its officers and followed the event by a grand ball. There were several of the grand officers present.

The installation of officers is now occupying the attention of all the lodges.

Golden Gate Company of the Uniform Rank has established headquarters in Saratoga Hall.

The grand keeper of records and seal will visit Redwood City Lodge at San Mateo on the 10th inst., when there will be a public installation of officers, to be followed by an entertainment.

The ladies' night of Golden City Lodge of the K. of P., given in Pythian Castle on the night of the 29th of December, was a great success in every way. The attendance was large, the programme provided by the committee one of the best that has ever been presented by a lodge of this order in this city, and the dances which followed were up to date, with first class music. The following was the programme: Piano recital, Mrs. M. Jensen; barytone solo, Frank Thompson; contralto solo, Miss E. Roeckel; tenor solo, E. Lotz; specialties, Maudie Sharpe and Queenie Tilton; specialties, B. Frank; instrumental solo, Miss Gertrude Klemm; champion toe dancing, Little Lupita.

The affair was delightfully managed by John N. Claussen, H. Van Crombrugge, Ed Coffey, R. F. Lang and James Elkington.

FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD.

The Fraternal Brotherhood is still progressing. Recently a new lodge, "The Columbia" No. 258, was instituted in this city by General Organizer H. C. Lewis.

San Francisco Lodge No. 69 has almost reached the three hundred mark, having initiated over one hundred candidates during the last year. The election of officers for the ensuing term was held on December 5, and the friends of the different candidates entered into the contest with much spirit and vigor. The popular ticket was headed by E. L. Cross for president, and the contests were centered on the offices of president and treasurer. E. L. Cross was elected president and Lewis B. Douglass (incumbent) treasurer by overwhelming majorities, amid the greatest enthusiasm of their numerous local friends. The officers elected for the ensuing term are:

President, E. L. Cross; vice president, Mrs. Charles S. Thayer; secretary, Mrs. S. H. de Wet; treasurer, Lew B. Douglass; sergeant at arms, William J. Smith; M. at A., Mrs. A. Terkel; I. D. K., John F. Wiley; O. D. K., N. B. Smoke; trustees, William C. Cavitt and William D. Evans; finance committee, A. Terkel and R. A. Scott.

General Organizer H. C. Lewis is ever alert and energetic for the good of the order. Organizer George Norton is again in this city and doing good work.

THE RED MEN.

On the 29th of December Docas Dalla Tribe of Hollister met in its wigwam in the Masonic Hall and there adopted a class of fifty palefaces into the Improved Order of Red Men. Great Chief of Records Bliss was present and assisted in the work.

On the 10th inst. Pohono Tribe of Stockton will be ready to adopt a class of one hundred palefaces.

Two tribes were instituted in this reservation, one at Santa Rosa and the other at Oakland, during the month of December.

During the month of December Alfarata Council of the Degree of Pocahontas adopted thirty strangers who entered its forest.

Seneca Council had a well attended and pleasant party in Washington Square Hall a few evenings ago.

It is expected that during the current month there will be a class adoption in Petaluma.

Grand Sachem Tyrrell will devote January and February to the Legislature of the State, but during that time he will visit the tribes in Sacramento and vicinity.

Yosemite Tribe has decided to have a ladies' night on the last Tuesday evening of each month in Red Men's Hall. This will be under the supervision of E. Lastreto, George H. Stein and Charles T. Cranz.

NATIVE SONS.

Grand Trustee Judge M. T. Dooling has completed his tour of official visits to the parlors in the counties of Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne and Mariposa.

During the last week Grand Trustee George L. Jones paid an official visit to National Parlor and the following day returned to his home in Grass Valley. Grand Trustee J. R. Knowland officially visited Occidental Parlor in Sonoma on the 27th of December.

Grand Organizer Andrew Mocker was in this city during the holiday week, incidentally to become acquainted with his family once more. After New Year's day he returned into the interior to work for the good of the order.

ORDER OF ST. GEORGE.

Barnaby Lodge of the Sons of St. George will have a ladies' night and dance on the 31st of January in the Laurel Hall of the Shiels building in celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of the institution of the lodge.

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The Miracle of San Juan Bautista
BY MADGE MORRIS.
(This story was published in The Sunday Call of December 28.)
The most thrilling account ever written of a bull fight in the early California days.

The Golden Ford.
By WILLIAM WALLACE PHILLIPS.
"Red Saunders," the cowboy, whom Mr. Phillips has made famous in other stories, joins Aggie Jones in a prospecting tour, on which, by being refused a further free ride on a stage coach, they stumble across a Golden Ford, that promises fabulous wealth. The Western humor with which "Red" abounds is particularly delicious.

The King Dines.
By ROBERT BARR.
(This story was published in The Sunday Call of November 30.)
One of the adventures of King James VI of Scotland. The royal venison had been carried off by the Buchanans. The King and his courtiers surprise the Buchanans in their castle just as they are about to serve dinner and the latter become unwilling servants of their unbidden guests.

A Dead One.
By JOSIAH FLYNT and FRANCIS WALTON.
A true story of the under world, in which something is told of the career in crime of "Bernard Carr."

The Striker's Story.
By FRANK H. SPEARMAN.
A railroad story by Spearman needs no recommendation. The present tale tells of the love affairs of McTerza and Mrs. Mallenix, which grew out of an exciting railroad strike.

Great Uncle McCarthy.
By E. OE SOMERVILLE AND MARTIN ROSS.
The two authors of this tale became famous throughout England and Ireland because in all their stories they display just the quality of humor which is contained here. Great Uncle McCarthy was a squatter whose adventures were well worth chronicling.

A Child of Christmas.
By JOEL CHANDLER HARRIS.
A Christmas tale of the North and South, in which Billy Saunders interests himself in a French-Canadian girl who is searching for her father, and indirectly brings the search to an end on Christmas day.

Bobbert's Merry Christmas.
By JOSEPHINE DODGE DASKAM.
A story in which the spirit of Christmas has a wholesome part and in which children are the chief characters.

The Yellow Mail Story.
By FRANK H. SPEARMAN.
How Jimmie Bradshaw took the Yellow Mail through one time with the aid of a freight train and a band of Indians, and acquired the name of Jimmie the Wind and the reputation of being the fastest engineer on the road.

The God of His Fathers.
By JACK LONDON.
A story of Indian attack and massacre in Alaska, the land of the Rainbow's End, in which the author spent many months. He tells this story of Hay Stockard, who fought his last and died under the cold fire of the Aurora.

The Little God and Dickey.
By JOSEPHINE DODGE DASKAM.
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