

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs
Men's plain hemstitched linen handkerchiefs, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c and 75c each.
Special Prices by the Box.

Men's Neckwear
Choice selecting for gifts in this fascinating lot. Prices begin at 25c. Very effective high novelties, \$1 to \$3 each.

IF IN DOUBT ABOUT A SMALL GIFT Buy a Calendar
We've a beautiful collection of these continual friendship reminders.

New Initial Handkerchiefs for Ladies
In neat little boxes for Christmas gifts, Richardson's pure linen, initials hand embroidered.
Box of six handkerchiefs, \$1.25 and \$1.50

FANCY GOODS
The center tables show a host of fancy celluloid articles to grace the dresser. You can't judge their attractiveness by these prices. Now so little money can buy so much is a marvel.
Handkerchief boxes 25c and 50c. Glove boxes, 25c to \$1. Collar and Cuff Sets, 50c, 75c. Brush and Comb Trays, 25c and 50c. Work Boxes, 50c and 75c.

The A. Dunbar Co

All contracts for advertising in the Astorian are made on a guarantee of circulation four times larger than that of any paper published or circulated in Clatsop county.

TODAY'S WEATHER.
PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Oregon and Washington, occasional rain, and gales along the coast; Idaho, cloudy and threatening, with rain in the north and west portion.

AROUND TOWN.

John Hunter, of Ilwaco, was in the city yesterday.

J. O. Hogan, of Chinook, was in the city yesterday.

Isaac Hanson, of Frankfort, was in the city yesterday.

Judge C. C. Brower is in Portland today on business.

George A. Cashel, of Knappa, was in Astoria yesterday.

Howell Lewis, of John Day, was in Astoria yesterday.

Miss Holm, of Nasel, is visiting with friends in this city.

P. de H. Olney, of Portland, is registered at the Occident.

St. Paul dress-making parlors at Central Hotel, Miss Wilkes.

E. M. Egbert, of South Bend, is registered at the Occident.

BEST 15-CENT MEAL; RISING SUN RESTAURANT.

Girl Wanted—For general housework; small family. Apply this office.

E. H. Baldwin, of Corvallis, was at the Occident yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. McGuire, of Fort Canby, were in the city yesterday.

The steamer Del Norte arrived down the river yesterday morning.

Adam B. Collins, of San Francisco, was in the city yesterday.

L. D. Fuller, of Coffeyville, Kan., is registered at the Occident.

Best 15-cent meal, Rising Sun Restaurant, 612 Commercial street.

Henry Nise, of Newport, was registered at the Occident yesterday.

Jeff's restaurant—the largest and best. A trial will convince you.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McLean, of Westport, were in the city yesterday.

G. S. Cooper, of North Yakima, was in Astoria yesterday on business.

F. O. Walters is able to be about again after his recent attack of illness.

P. F. Halferty, the Skipanon clam cannery, was in Astoria yesterday on business.

The Occident barber shop has three first-class barbers under its new management.

J. T. Ross is in Portland on business connected with the company's store in that city.

A "Hard Times" social was held at Hanthorn's hall last evening by the Order of Washington and a very amusing as well as pleasant time was enjoyed.

Christmas Offerings

Holiday Neckwear
Newest Styles Latest Patterns
25 cents to \$1.00
20 per cent discount

Men's Fancy Shirts
All the New Patterns . . .
\$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50
20 per cent discount

SMOKING JACKETS
You may select any style you wish, make a small deposit on same, and we will reserve it for you.
Prices from \$4 to \$10.50 20 per cent discount

Silk Handkerchiefs
Initials, Fancy Border, Plain White, etc., in great variety.
25 cents to \$1
20 per cent discount

Silk Suspenders
Immense Assortment Newest Patterns
25 cents to \$1.50
20 per cent discount

...Earl & Wilson...
Collars and Cuffs Full Dress Shirts
Largest Stock in the City.

Men's, Boys' Hats
In all the New Fall Shapes
Prices from \$1 to \$5
20 per cent discount

25 per cent discount on Suits, Overcoats and Mackintoshes

...DANZIGER'S UNLOADING SALE...
Sale Positively Closes December 31

On account of the line being down no bar report was received yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. J. W. Casey, of Portland, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. L. Robb, of this city.

L. Allehoff, the popular cigar agent of Portland, was in the city yesterday on business.

Captain Wickland, of the Point Adam live-steering station crew was in the city yesterday.

The Dunseyer left down the river from Portland yesterday in low of the steamed Harvest Gun.

The Robert Dollar sailed Tuesday from San Francisco for Seattle and other ports on the Sound.

The Bazaar! Holiday goods, bamboo furniture, ladies' underwear and notions; 681 Commercial street.

Senator J. G. Megier and wife have gone to Denver to attend the wedding of a niece of Mrs. Megier.

D. C. McLaughlin, of Preston, Iowa, and Ed. McDonnell, of Decatur, Iowa, were registered at the Occident yesterday.

Charles Junt, the 4-year-old son of Ivel Junt, died of epilepsy early yesterday morning at his home in Uniontown.

An adjourned session of the county court will be held on Saturday to complete some of the unfinished business of last week's session.

Cream Pure Eye, America's finest remedy. The only pure goods; guaranteed rich and mellow. JOHN L. CARLSON, Sole Agent.

The ladies aid society of the Congregational church will hold their sale on Saturday evening, Dec. 15, in the basement of the church.

Boisyn coal lasts longer, is cleaner and makes less trouble with stoves and chimneys than any other. George W. Sanoorn, agent. Telephone 1311.

The assessment to pay for the improvement of Eleventh street between Franklin and Harrison avenues was filed in the auditor's office yesterday. The amount of the assessment is \$332.60.

The French bark Cassard was started up the river yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. She will discharge her cargo of 5000 barrels of cement at Portland and take on a cargo of grain for Europe.

Mr. Selig is to be commended and the Greater-going public congratulated upon the very high-class of attractions which have been presented so far this season and are booked for the coming months, at Fisher's opera house.

Fish Commissioner F. C. Reed has returned from Portland after completing and filing his annual report and left yesterday for Seattle. He will be in the location of the hatchery that is to be started near that place.

Mrs. A. C. Fisher, of this city, received word yesterday afternoon that her father, Mrs. Mattison, of San Jose, California, was very ill. Mrs. Fisher left for that place on the train last evening accompanied by her husband.

The Canadian Pacific is to have a line of steamers on the Upper Yukon. Last season there were about twenty vessels in service between White Horse and Dawson. This coming year it is estimated that there will be between forty and fifty.

Wanted—500 cords more or less of first growth, partly seasoned fir wood, four-foot lengths. Delivered about 100 cords per month on board scow near Hanthorn cannery. Address, H. F. JOHNSON, Room 10, I. O. O. F. building, Portland, Or.

Mrs. Emma Galloway, assistant department inspector of the Woman's Relief Corps, of Oregon City, was in the city yesterday and inspected the local organization of that body, yesterday afternoon. She is the guest of Mrs. Zeisler while in the city.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Salem are to erect a building for the association at that place. They have up to the present time occupied rented quarters, but have failed in their efforts to renew their lease and have concluded to have a home of their own.

The literary department of the Epworth League held the first of their regular monthly socials for this season, in the M. E. church last evening. An excellent program was given, consisting of recitations, selections on a gramophone, and the reading of No. 1, Vol. 2, of the Epworthian.

"Jack, the Poisoner," is active again. He has been quiet for more than six months, or since early last spring, but it is evident the unknown miscreant who has been poisoning valuable Tacoma dogs for the past four or five years has commenced another winter's campaign. A valuable pointer pup was his first victim.

Millmen in the state of Washington are confident that within a short time they will be granted a short rate on fir lumber to the Missouri river, as asked for by the lumbermen's committee. In fact, it is thought that it will come shortly after the Eastern business opens up in the spring, and with the assurance they are satisfied to wait.

Many of the numbers on the program at the dance given this evening in Fournier & Stokes' hall for the benefit of Harry Twilight will consist of entirely new music never before heard in Astoria. The Columbia orchestra and the Astor Club, who have the affair in charge, are using every effort to make the event an especially pleasant one.

Larkin C. Fortner, who was shot Monday night in Portland while resisting a highwayman, died yesterday as a result of the wound in the breast. Although a number of detectives have been at work on the case since the attempted robbery occurred, no clue to the identity of the assassin has yet been obtained.

Owing to the absence of County Clerk Wherry from the city yesterday the canvass of the vote of Wednesday's city election was not made. Until it is done it cannot be ascertained whether the act to appoint a park commission was adopted or not. The vote on the question stood 515 for acceptance and 122 against it, but to carry, the years have to have a majority of all the votes cast. The highest vote for any one candidate was 993, but this may not be the total vote. The fact is pretty generally accepted, however, that the years will win as the total vote would have to be over 1025 to defeat it. As Judge Brower will be out of town today the canvass will not be made before tomorrow.

Captain Timmons, who has been operating his cannery on the Coquille river during the past season, has returned to his home here for the winter. He returned on the steamer Del Norte and was accompanied by his family. He reports the pack on the Coquille as slightly better than last year, which is an exception to the rule this season on the Oregon coast.

The British ship Muskoka cleared at the custom house yesterday afternoon for Plymouth, Queenstown or Falmouth for orders. She carries a large cargo of wheat consisting of 129,530 bushels of wheat, valued at \$17,251. She shipped six men from the sailor boarding house firm of Kenny & Lynch yesterday morning and if the weather permits will probably get to sea today.

For sale—In the basement of the Congregational church Saturday evening, December 15, a quantity of fine holly, Mexican drawn wood, sent for especially for this sale; burnt wood and leather work; fancy work; homemade candies, cakes, jellies and mince-meat. Refreshments consisting of coffee and sandwiches, ice cream and cake will also be served.

F. C. Brown, superintendent of the Coos river salmon hatchery, says that thirty thousand fish have already been hatched this season, and owing to the scarcity of eggs due to the washing out of the racks, these young salmon should be fed several months before being liberated, but as to the time they will be turned loose, he will have to follow the orders of the higher officials.

The regular annual meeting of the Astoria Progressive Commercial Association was held last evening. Reports of officers and committees were read and other business of the association transacted. The report of Fish Commissioner Reed to the fish commission was commended by the association and a copy of the resolution was ordered sent to the commission. Plans were formulated for the future conduct of the organization and some of the regular features of the club were modified.

Two new timber companies, with a capital of half a million dollars each, have been incorporated by Frederick Eyerhauser and other wealthy lumbermen in Humboldt, Wisconsin, Iowa and Washington to deal in timber lands and operate logging camps, sawmills, shingle mills and generally do all that pertains to the lumber business. They are the Humboldt Lumber Company and the Clearwater Lumber Company and the articles of incorporation were filed at Tacoma on Wednesday. The headquarters of the two companies will be at Tacoma.

The state fish commission, consisting of Governor Geer and Secretary of State Dunbar and Fish Commissioner Reed, in filing its report for the legislature, says: The commission is of the opinion and would most respectfully recommend that the act of 1898 be amended so that the entire state shall be included in one district, which will permit the larger streams to aid the smaller ones, being the plan now pursued in the state of Washington, and would further recommend that the compensation of the fish commissioner and his deputies and the expenses be paid from the hatchery fund. This would relieve the general fund of an expense of \$5000 each year.

The case of S. Normile against the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company was on trial before Justice Brower yesterday. The plaintiff asks damage in the extent of \$200 for injuries received by one of plaintiff's mules that was brought down from Portland by defendant and placed on their wharf where it was, it appears, tied to a plow. The mule was injured by striking one of its legs against the plow, and plaintiff seeks to recover damages in the above amount. A number of witnesses were called, and the arguments were heard. The case was then taken under consideration. W. S. Bristol, of Portland, was the attorney for the O. R. & N., and Fulton Bros. for Mr. Normile.

General H. B. Compton and D. E. Keasy, of Portland, officers of the Rockefeller Mining Company, have returned from an inspection of the properties. They brought back samples of ore taken from the shaft of the New Era, which gave rich results. J. O. Hanthorn, president of the company, had an assay made at the government assay office at Seattle from the pay streak, which went \$455 gold to the ton. The general average across the four-foot ledge taken from a number of assays gives an average of \$33.75 per ton. The Rockefeller mines are conceded to be among the most promising mines in the Bonanza district, located in the Greenhorn mountains, in Eastern Oregon.

The act in relation to city parks upon which the vote was taken on Wednesday, provides that if accepted the mayor, city engineer and five citizens to be appointed by the judge of the circuit, constitute a park commission, but not more than three of the citizens appointed shall be of the same political party. This commission shall have charge of all city parks and shall have authority to levy a tax of not more than 1/2 mill each year to make improvements on same. The commission shall also have authority to purchase lands for a park and make a levy of not to exceed 1/2 mill per year to pay for same, provided that the proposition to make such levy be submitted to the vote of the people at a regular city election and a majority of the votes cast favor it.

Secretary of State Dunbar has been confined to his bed for several weeks with an attack of malaria and typhoid. It is announced that the fever has left him, but his physicians say he will not be able to go to his office before January 1. As this is the season when the secretary's biennial report must be prepared, it is especially inconvenient for him to be absent from his office work at this time. Mr. Dunbar's illness was perhaps brought on in part by too close application to his work, for he is at his office early in the morning, and returns and works several hours by lamplight.

Steamer Queen City, which returned to Victoria, B. C., from Nootka and way ports on the West Coast, brings news of the finding of the nameboard of some craft and a large amount of wreckage at Carmannah. W. Daykin, who is in charge of the Carmannah light, discovered the latest addition to the lootam of the island coast, and he describes it as follows: A broken board, painted red, with yellow letters A. L.—evidently the final two letters of a name, and the figures 62. The letters and figures were about eight inches long. A great quantity of small pieces of tongue and grooved lumber, painted white, several oars, pieces of a boat's gunwale, painted white; a great many empty cases and four life belts with S. S. San Pedro.

Mr. Zimmerman, of the firm of Wolf & Zwicker, at Portland, when asked yesterday morning regarding the story that was being reported that the efforts to float the lightship were to be given over stated that no thoughts had been entertained of abandoning the lightship, and that a crew was kept constantly at work on the anchor. She was moved down the beach 40 feet lately, and Mr. Zimmerman said more progress was being made daily. No date has been set for a final attempt to get the lightship in position, but she will be worked off the sands gradually. She lies on the sands at McKenzie Head, and although two time extensions have been made, the contractors are encouraged with present prospects, and will continue the work.

The comedian, Walter Walker, accompanied by the dainty comedienne, Mildred St. Pierre, and a cast of unusual excellence will present "That Man at Fisher's opera house next Monday night. This is the comedy that made all New York laugh when produced at the Herald Square theater, and out of over sixty newspapers it received not one bad notice. The role of "Theophilus Montjoy's is very happily suited to Mr. Walker's talent for he certainly did score a great success season before last in the star role in "A Bachelor's Honeymoon," and last season in "The Nominee," and it is the general opinion that the young man will ere many seasons rank as our foremost comedian. Advance sale of seats opens at Griffin & Reed's Saturday morning.

It is safe to say that should the opportunity again occur, Fisher's opera house will be found too small to accommodate the crowd which will turn out to learn "Why Smith Left Home." The play last night was positively the best comedy which has been presented in Astoria for a great many months, and its merit was appreciated by the audience, as was evidenced by the almost continuous applause and curtain calls at the end of each act. It would be unfair to single out any one member of the company for praise. Each character, no matter how small, was painstakingly handled, and careful attention was given to costume and stage setting. It might not be amiss to say that Lizzie May Uimer, as the "secretary of the Cook Ladies' Union," is entitled to the cake.

Sheriff Frazier, of Portland, when asked concerning the charges made against a deputy sheriff by District Attorney Chamberlain in regard to the jury on the Fry case, made the following statement: "In regard to the assertion that one of the deputy sheriffs influenced the jurors, or attempted to, I know nothing more than that a deputy met the jury and invited them to take a drink, and that while so doing he may have said something. One of the jurors made this report, but declared that he did not believe the deputy meant anything out of the way. I am willing to have the matter investigated." It is rumored that the deputy in question has been suspended. When Sheriff Frazier was asked about the rumor this afternoon, he replied that the deputy had not been suspended, but had been laid off for a while.

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Where Nature Did Her Best We Put On Clothes

That's why we urge you present your husband, brothers, With one of WISE'S shapely suits of clothes Or Stylish Pair of Pants

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Heinze's Mince Meat, Queen Olives and all kinds of Holiday Delicacies

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FLOUR, FEED, PROVISIONS, TOBACCO AND CIGARS.....

Supplies of all kinds at lowest rates, for fishermen, Farmers and Loggers.

A. V. ALLEN, Tenth and Commercial Streets

...affect the shipments of American merchandise to the Orient and especially that of flour. While the shipments were affected slightly they have been much larger than was anticipated. The war has probably relieved the flour situation. A blockade at Hong Kong called for by exporters and shipping men, but this was averted by the outbreak of a large amount of American flour. Shipments have continued as regularly as they did before the outbreak.

Flour had been accumulating in Hong Kong and it was stated in advices from the Orient that the warehouses at Hong Kong were full of flour and little opportunity of working off the accumulated product was offered. It was expected that shipments would have a cease for a time, or at least be curtailed until the stocks could be worked off.

The coming of a large force which was accustomed to the use of flour made it possible to dispose of the stock, and the regular demand made it possible to continue shipments. The threatened exclusion of American flour from Hong Kong to Vladivostok, and it is now reported that Hong Kong has no more flour on hand than is needed.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

San Francisco Bar, California.—Notice is hereby given that on December 19, 1900, Light Vessel No. 70 was replaced on her station, about 3 1/2 miles outside the bar off the entrance to San Francisco harbor, and the gas buoy, temporarily marking the station, was withdrawn.

No change has been made in Light Vessel No. 70, as to characteristics of lights, fog-signal, or general appearance.

This notice affects the "List of Lights and Fog-Signals, Pacific Coast, 1900," page 14, No. 22, and the "List of Beacons and Buoys, Pacific Coast, 1900," page 18.

By order of the Light-House board.

SMALLPOX AT PENDLETON.

There are a number of cases of smallpox at Pendleton and considerable excitement has been occasioned thereby. The cases until the present, time have been of a very mild type, which is a good thing one way and bad another, for there is so little fear attached to it that those afflicted and members of the families do not comply with the law regarding quarantine, leading to a still further spread of the disease.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the city treasury to pay all warrants drawn on the road and crossing fund and endorsed prior to October 8th, 1900, also warrants numbered 13, 616, 15,022, 15,026, 15,029 and 15,035 on same fund endorsed October 8th, 1900. Interest will cease after this date.

P. J. CARNEY,
City Treasurer.
Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 11, 1900.

Tempting Plated Silverware.
Finest Quadruple Plated Goods. The new Jean ware is the sensation on the market.

Tea Sets Coffee Sets Baking Dishes Cake Baskets Tea, Table and Dessert Spoons Knives and Forks Many Other Fancy Pieces

Our Prices Just Like Finding Money.

Great American Importing Tea Co.
571 Commercial Street, Astoria.

SALEM RURAL MAIL SERVICE.
The rural mail service, to run from the Salem postoffice to the surrounding country, and give the rural population surrounding Salem, a daily mail service equal to that in that city is now established, so far as the laying out of the routes and the appointment of the carriers is concerned; the report on the work has been sent to the post-office department at Washington by Special Agent H. J. Ormsby, and nothing now remains to be done except the approval of Captain Ormsby's work by the department, and the order to start the carriers on their routes on a day to be fixed by the department. Eight routes were established, covering a territory of 340 square miles, with Salem as the center; the carriers will serve on an average of 125 families each, giving a daily mail service to a population of about 9000.

TRADE WITH THE ORIENT.
It was thought by shippers that the present troubles in China would strongly