



### SILVERPLATE

That wears almost as long as solid silver is the kind we keep. Only the products of the best best known manufacturers find their way into this store, and every piece has the maker's name and mark on it. In addition we add our personal guarantee as to the quality.



### CLOCKS

Clocks of every style are in this collection and everyone is really handsome. Even the strenuous little alarm clocks have their own good looks. There are clocks for the bedroom, parlor, dining room and hall. All are accurate time keepers and really excellent values.

# HOLIDAY GIFTS WHICH ARE DEPENDABLE

## J. H. Peare, THE JEWELER

THE STOCK IS COMPLETE  
THE QUALITY GUARANTEED  
THE STYLE IS CORRECT  
THE PRICES ARE RIGHT

Now is the time to make selections



### SILVERWARE

Especially Interesting  
Makers have produced some strikingly handsome designs this season in

TEA AND COFFEE SETS  
CAKE BASKETS,  
PICKLE JARS,  
PITCHERS, ETC.

Many of the most beautiful are shown here. An inspection of our display will prove a pleasant and profitable way of spending an hour or so. We won't urge you to buy but our goods and prices are very tempting.



### SILVERWARE

The display of complete sets and single pieces is the most attractive to be seen in the city. The designs are entirely new and very beautiful and have been worked out with great skill and taste.

## Half a Carload of New Wall Paper.

We have just received half a car load of the newest and latest wall paper. Half a carload means 20,000 rolls. This is more paper than any one firm ever thought of bringing into this county in a single season.

This paper is all for sale and must be sold this season. We have brought two first class paper hangers direct from Chicago, who are without doubt the most skillful workmen in Eastern Oregon, with the five first class paper hangers already in our employ, gives us the best working force in the inland Empire.

## Stackland & McLachlen PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS

Script Script  
Gilt-edged forest reserve, approved, unreserved, ready for immediate use anywhere. Lowest prices.  
F. F. & F. R. RILEY,  
Member of Com. of Com. Bldg., Portland, Or.

### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has filed the final account of her doings as executrix of the last will and testament of Martha J. Watson, deceased, and that the County Court has appointed Monday the 2nd day of January 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. as the time, and the Court House at La Grande, Union County, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of said final account. All persons having any objections to the same, will appear at said time and place, and offer said objections thereto.  
L. M. BAY, Executrix.  
La Grande, Oregon, November 23rd, 1904.

**MAKES A CLEAN SWEEP**  
There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the Salves you ever heard of, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures Burns, Sores, Bruises, Cuts, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It's only 25c and guaranteed to give satisfaction.  
La Grande Drug Co., and Newlin Drug Co., Druggists.

**A THOUGHTFUL MAN**  
M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 50c at La Grande Drug Co., and Newlin Drug Co., Drug Stores.

### TRADE FOLLOWS THE PRICE



That is why people come here for men's and boys' shoes. The J. E. Tilt line is our specialty. Here is where price and quality are combined.

### C. W. PRESTON, Shoe Specialist DEPOT STREET

**BEST COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN**  
has you the best medicine for small children you want one in which you can place implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves but cures. You want one that is unquestionably harmless. You want one that is pleasant to take. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all of these conditions. There is nothing so good for a cough as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.  
Bring your rush orders for job work to the Observer office, we can handle them.

**Important Notice**  
All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call at the harness shop and settle up before Dec. 30, 1904.  
Any bills not paid before that date will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. J. H. Childs

## NORTH WEST NEWS

B. B. Barnes, an old resident near Corvallis, was working at the bottom of a 10 foot ditch December 6, when a sudden cave in buried him three feet deep. He was suffocated before he could be taken out, 45 minutes later.

The white section hands on the Southern Pacific in the neighborhood of Grant's Pass, are on a strike, and the company is importing Japanese to take their places.

A big kick is being made in Portland because contractors get 45 cents per cubic yard for removing dirt for the city, while they only pay 20 cents for having the work done.

The Tacoma Board of Trade has memorialized President Roosevelt to appoint a man from the northwest upon the interstate commerce commission. None of the Pacific coast states are represented upon the commission.

Lewiston is all swelled up over the citizenship in that place of Joseph Rossi, an Italian with an American wife, whose brother, A. D. Pooley, lives at Craig Mountain. Rossi is a bona fide Italian duke, having recently fallen heir to the title and \$58,000,000 by the death of his father in Italy.

Louis Semones, at Chicago, has scored 300 at bowling, with 12 strikes. This is the second time in the history of bowling in this country that this score has been reached with 12 strikes.

Forty representatives of all the grape and wine-growing districts of the United States are in convention in New York. It is claimed that these 40 men represent \$100,000,000 invested capital.

The new cathedral at Baker City is to cost \$100,000. When it is completed the Catholic church will own property in that place to the value of \$250,000 or more than in any other locality in Oregon outside of Portland.

David Bricker died recently at Center Mills, Pa., aged 94 years, in the same room in which he was born, and in the house that had been his home without intermission all his life.

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### LITERARY SOCIETY MEETING

The High School Literary society met last Friday afternoon with a splendid attendance, and all present showed great interest and enthusiasm in the work. The regular routine of work was gone through with, interspersed with music, recitations and dialogues. The proceedings were as follows:

- The following officers were elected to fill vacant offices:  
Asst. Secretary..... Maggie Coleman  
Sergt. at Arms..... Joel Richardson  
The following programme was then rendered:  
Song, "Home Sweet Home"..... School  
Recitation..... Grace Hulse  
Dialogue..... Committee..... Elmer Stoddard, Fred Young, Buelah Hetherington, Elsie Erwin, Hattie McMurry.  
Vocal Solo..... May Noyes, Nellie Morten  
High School Bulletin..... Editors  
T. S. society then adjourned.

### Goes to Wallowa

Willis Moss, of Union, and W. A. Moss of Island City, were in town this week looking for a farm to purchase. Mr. Willis Moss has purchased a farm adjoining the town of Wallowa, 400 acres for \$5,500, of John McDonald and E. A. Holmes.—Wallowa Chieftain.

### ESRAY NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that there came to my place about July 1st, 1904, two miles north of Perry on Dixie Flat the following described animal, One dark brown heifer, part Jersey, coming two year old, without visible brands or ear marks said animal has been taken up by me and is now with my cattle on the Draper place about 4 miles northeast of Island City, and owner can have same by proving property and paying charges.  
Home in Old Town, La Grande, Oregon.  
ED BURS,  
Dated this 7th day of November, 1904.

**Columbia University**  
Collegiate, Preparatory Commercial and Grammar Grade Courses.  
APPLY FOR CATALOGUE  
Boarding school for young men & boys.  
Box 348 University Park Station, Portland, Oregon

**Notice Of Final Account**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Administratrix of the estate of William Spencer, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Union County for the state of Oregon her final account as such administratrix, and the Court has fixed Monday the 19th day of December 1904 for hearing any objections to said final account and for the final settlement thereof dated this November 19, 1904  
Minnie M. Spencer, Administratrix

Notary Public Insurance  
**Money to Loan**  
Representing the Equitable Savings & Loan Association of Portland, Or., the strongest, safest & most reliable institution on the Pacific coast, under State supervision. Loans made short or long time to suit.  
WM. GRANT, Agent  
City property for sale.

**BLOCKLAND BROS.**  
Island City, Oregon  
Breeders of BERKSHIRE and POLANDCHINA SWINE.  
We now have eight young bucks, pure bred, Cotswold and shropshires, ready for service, anyone needing choice bucks, should see these to appreciate them. Young stock always on hand, and always glad to have you call and see our hogs, as we breed them for the Farmer, and ask you to compare our prices before buying some where else.

**FULL MEASURE**  
Chain wood by the Cord  
128 cubic feet to the cord. 16-inch dry chain wood \$3 per cord. This is cheaper than by the load. You pay for what you get and get what you pay for.  
Phone 571  
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