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We wish you all a Happy New Year.

1905 is full of promise and whether or not we measure up to our possibilities lies largely within ourselves.

The New Jersey law which allows indictments against persons for being common scolds can not operate to diminish the circulation of The Commoner in the States.

Mr Lawson's statement that Mark Hanna received from Standard Oil Rogers a cool \$5,000,000 during the McKinley campaign is not credited in circles enjoying the acquaintance of Mr Rogers.

The inscription on the honor sword presented to Grand Duke Boipe fails to state whether his bravery was exhibited in leading a band of chorus girls or in quietly submitting to a slap in the face from Kurapatkin.

The task Mr Lincoln Steffens in Boston is made easy in the fact that two of the November elected Boston officials are under going sentences for violations of Federal laws, with their Bostonese popularity so thoroughly established that they were elected while in the jail.

Kaiser Wilhelm declines to accept the Root interpretation of the Monroe doctrine, but rather leans to the interpretation put on it by Prof Van Munsterberg, who believes it to be an iridescent dream or a blankety barren idealism, or something of that sort. Nevertheless, it might not be altogether wholesome for the Kaiser to press the Von Munsterberg button too closely.

Every citizen of La Grande starts out with confidence that 1905 will be a record breaker in way of progress and that means much. Let a stranger meet the residents of any community who are hopeful and enthusiastic and they are impressed. This is not true alone of strangers, for many of our citizens who are not saying a word are just on

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the eve of many improvements and not a few of them will develop just as soon as the building season of 1905 arrives.

TIME OF PEACE AND GOOD CHEER

At last Christmas day has come and has gone. This day is the day of all days in the 365 of each year which rolls around in the cycle of time. It is the day upon which the festival of the nativity of Christ is observed by all the people of all the civilized Christian nations on the earth, and is recognized and celebrated by more people than any other day in the calendar. It is the day upon which Christians in spirit bow before the manger of Bethlehem which "cradled a king," the king of love and peace and good will to men on this earth. This is the time to which children look forward with pleasant anticipations from the time the one has passed until the other succeeding anniversary arrives. And this time is not only a source of pleasure and anticipation to the children, but it also affects those of mature years and those whose travelling down the shady side of the hill of life. There breathes not the man or woman "with soul so dead" whose heart does not grow warmer and mellow as the Christmas time approaches. To the old it brings memories of the happy past that are almost buried "in the mists of long ago," while to the young are born new hopes and aspirations, new ambitions and pictures of a bright future. As his wistful time draws near, we find a feeling of peace and good will stealing over our hearts that we feel as no other time of the year; we have the glad hand and the happy smile for one and all; the poor tramp, begging for bread, the one who has often been turned from the door with cold words and scant ceremony, is cordially and smilingly invited to partake of the best our table affords. To the man we have considered our enemy and to whom we have not spoken for months, we can not resist the temptation, so full is our hearts of good cheer, of wishing him a "Merry Christmas" as we pass him on the street. From the infant who has just learned there is a "Santa Claus" to the octogenarian whose hair is silvered by the snows of many such anniversaries, the slightest token of remembrance at this time strikes closer to the heart and is more appreciated than a gift of ten fold value at any other time. It is a time when we are not only good to every body but especially good to those who are near and dear to us, and a time when we save and scrape in order to give them a surprise, a token of remembrance, a "Christmas gift."

To the people in this city and valley, no better or more pleasant Christmas could have been wished, all have been happy and no accidents have occurred to mar the serenity and peace that should prevail at this time. It has done us all good, we have had our pleasures and our recreation and are now able more bravely to meet the trials of another year.

Startling Evidence

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentonsville, Va. serves as example. He writes: "I had bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me. Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Newell's Drug Company. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c and \$1.00

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Wall Paper from 5 cents up

We want to clear the house before March 1st as we expect a carload of Wall Paper to arrive on that date. We have more Wall Paper now on hand than all the other paper houses in the county. Therefore you will have a greater variety to select from. Our present stock is complete.

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Notice to the patrons of La Grande Light and Power Co.

That on and after January 1st we will install a day circuit in this city and take this means of notifying our patrons. Any changes to be made in lights which can not be turned off during the day should be arranged as soon as possible. Those desiring power can confer with us at any time regarding prices of motors, rates, etc. We have motors priced as follows, f. o. b. San Francisco:

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|-------------|--------|----------|----------|
| 1/2 h. p. | 37 75 | 5 h. p. | \$192 00 |
| 1 h. p. | 44 50 | 10 h. p. | 279 75 |
| 1 1/2 h. p. | 95 50 | 15 h. p. | 367 70 |
| 2 h. p. | 104 15 | 20 h. p. | 452 50 |
| 3 h. p. | 128 85 | 30 h. p. | 555 85 |

To this price must be added freight from San Francisco to La Grande.

| Shipping weights | | Shipping weights | | |
|------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|----------|
| 1/2 hp 3 phase | 120 lbs | 1/2 hp single phase | 225 lbs | |
| 1/2 hp " | 155 lbs | 1 hp " | 270 lbs | |
| 1 hp " | 242 lbs | 1 hp " | 275 lbs | |
| 2 hp " | 345 lbs | 2 hp " | 380 lbs | |
| 3 hp " | 425 lbs | 3 hp " | 465 lbs | |
| | | 5 hp " | 680 lbs | |
| 5 hp " | form K | 810 lbs | form L | 670 lbs |
| 7 1/2 hp " | form K | 950 lbs | form L | 820 lbs |
| 10 hp " | form K | 1175 lbs | form L | 1075 lbs |
| 15 hp " | form K | 1430 lbs | form L | 1350 lbs |
| 20 hp " | form K | 2345 lbs | form L | 2300 lbs |
| 30 hp " | form K | 2930 lbs | form L | 2810 lbs |

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