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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. | 387 70 |
| 2 h. p. | 104 15 | 20 h. p. | 452 50 |
| 3 h. p. | 128 85 | 30 h. p. | 555 65 |

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| Shipping weights | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1/2 hp 3 phase | 120 lbs |
| 1/2 hp " | 155 lbs |
| 1 hp " | 242 lbs |
| 2 hp " | 345 lbs |
| 3 hp " | 425 lbs |
| 5 hp " | form K 810 lbs |
| 7 1/2 hp " | form K 950 lbs |
| 10 hp " | form K 1175 lbs |
| 15 hp " | form K 1430 lbs |
| 20 hp " | form K 2345 lbs |
| 30 hp " | form K 2980 lbs |
| 1/2 hp single phase | 225 lbs |
| 1 hp " | 270 lbs |
| 1 1/2 hp " | 275 lbs |
| 2 hp " | 380 lbs |
| 3 hp " | 465 lbs |
| 5 hp " | 680 lbs |
| 7 1/2 hp " | form L 670 lbs |
| 10 hp " | form L 820 lbs |
| 15 hp " | form L 1075 lbs |
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| 30 hp " | form L 2300 lbs |
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YE GOOD OLD TIMES NO 2

In a recent article, wherein an attempt was made to briefly illustrate home life in "ye good old times," in the U S from the Revolutionary war to 1840, no mention was made of the part woman had therein. In this article, an effort will be made to refresh the memories of those who are pining for the good old days wherein our grand mothers were so happy.

In those days there were neither cook stoves, sewing machines nor washing machines. The women cooked the family food on and before an open fireplace; made all the soap for family use by combining the lye leached from an old ash hopper filled with wood ashes and then boiled with soap grease in a big iron kettle.

Nearly all the clothing worn by the mass of the American people in the good old days, now so pathetically pined for, was made by the women folks in their homes from flax, hemp, cotton and wool. The flax was grown on the farm, when ripe was pulled by hand, the whole family taking part in the operation of pulling and binding the flax into sheaves. Later on the seed was knocked out and the flax was spread on the meadow to rot; after which it was taken up bound in sheaves by hand, broken, scutched and hackled. The residue of this process was fine straight flax fiber and tangled tow. From this on the women took exclusive charge, the flax was spun into sewing thread, or threads for weaving into linen for garments, table clothes, sheets, pillow slips or towels. The spinning was done on a little wheel at which the grandmothers sat working the treadle with her foot, that made the wheel go around with a ceaseless buzz and the fibers that took the flax from the spinners fingers and twisted it into thread and wound it upon a spool. Then came the hand loom that was run by the diligent use of both hands and feet and linen was made at the rate of five or six yards per day. The linen was then cut into shape for garments and sewed by hand, for there were no sewing machines in those days. There are probably more than one man or woman in Union county who can recall how he or she used to thread grandmothers needle for her, and sometimes got a gentle chiding because she discovered the marks of his or her teeth upon the ball of beeswax which she carried around her neck by means of a cord, to have handy to wax each thread and make it follow the needle through the cloth without fuzzing.

The process of converting the wool grown on the home flock of sheep into garments was equally tedious and much more laborous. After the men sheered the sheep the women took the wool in hand, washed, picked and often where there was no carding machine in the neighborhood carded it into rolls, spun it into yarn, wove it into cloth or knit it into socks, stockings, gloves or mittens. The rolls were spun into threads on a big wheel with a single spindle by a process that required the spinner to travel something like 12 miles per day 6 miles of which was paced backward, to do the usual task of turning out a dozen cuts or three skeins per day. A cut is 120 threads each 12 feet long. In addition to this pacing backward and forward the spinner had to keep the wheel going by deft pushes on the spokes thereof, and also to wind the threads upon the reel, tie each cut of 120 threads together and when four cuts were reeled, twist the four into a hank. All this treading back and forth was generally done by girls on a puncheon floor, barefooted to save shoe leather. One man, in the woolen mill at Union, in the same time that our grandmothers were so joyously singing, "Oh dear mother! my feet are sore. Spinning over the puncheon floor," and making one thread, will make 240 such threads with machinery run by water power instead of grandmother power.

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CITY ELECTION NOTICE

To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that there will be a General Election held in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, on Monday the 13th day of March 1905, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Recorder, Marshal and Treasurer, of said City to serve for one year and one councilman from each ward in said City to serve for the term of two years.

The polling place in the First Ward will be in the old Council Chamber, and the following named persons have been appointed to act as judges and clerks of said first ward, Judges, Perry Clark, J. L. Curtis, and C. Ralston, Clerks, A. Warnick, Ed Coolidge, and Frank Brown.

The polling place in the Second Ward will be in the Fire Department Building on Elm Street, and the following named persons have been appointed to act as judges and clerks of said Second Ward, Judges, H. W. Stoner, Wm Masterton, and F. S. Newson, Clerks, Wm Grant, I. R. Snook, and C. J. Vanderpool.

The polling place in the third ward will be in the Gungloff building on Fourth Street north of Jefferson Ave. and the following named persons have been appointed to act as judges and clerks of said Third Ward, Judges, Arthur Williams, Wm Grandy, and R. L. Lincoln, Clerks, Clare Scriber, W. I. Bissonet, and C. L. Thornton.

The polling place will be open from eight o'clock A. M. until seven o'clock P. M. of said 13th day of March, 1905.

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