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AN OPEN RIVER

Since the first American settlers built their log cabins in Oregon, over sixty years ago, and began to gather about their new homes the necessities of life and plan for some of its comforts, it has been the dream of our people to overcome the obstructions from falls, cascades, rock reefs, and narrows (dalles) in our great rivers, so that their waters bearing freight and passengers could flow "unobstructed to the sea." The sixty odd feet of perpendicular plunge of the Willamette river at Oregon City was first overcome by the labor and ingenuity of man in the construction of a boat way around the roaring cataract, so constructed that the dashing waters, that for centuries had defied man's dominion, were converted into an obedient servant and made to lift great steam boats thronged with people and laden with freight and place them safely in the quiet flowing river above the precipice; and at mans bidding take a return boat with its human freight and tons of merchandise and let it down the ten fathoms so gently that no jar disturbs a sleeping babe or causes a thrill of apprehension in the bosom of its watching mother.

Then the cascades of the Columbia were overcome by similar contrivances and steamers ply between Portland and the foot of the rocky trough through which the second river in size on the continent, is tilted on edge by the grip of black walls of basaltic rock hundreds of feet high on either side, and in its passage through the dark chasm is torn into frothy fragments by great unyielding boulders, that fret but cannot prevent its onward flow. It was a bold dreamer, that viewing the great river rushing with an awful roar through this stony trough, that would venture the thought, some day man would assume his kingship, and make this tumultuous mass of madly rushing water his obedient servant and helper. That day is fast approaching. The preliminary work to this accomplishment is so far advanced that within ten days, on June 3, 1905

I. HARRIS THE MEAT MAN

Is still doing business at the old stand. Will be glad to see all his old customers as well as new ones. As good prime beef cattle is now scarce, I have on hand a fine selection of cured meats, hams breakfast bacon. About the fifteenth of May, I will have a fine assortment of young prime beef, which are now fattening. Do not forget that I now have as good fresh beef as there is on the market as well as fresh fish and poultry.
Prompt Delivery Phone 16

a great multitude of glad Americans, gathered from hundreds of miles up the Columbia to the last great obstruction to overcome to navigation and hundreds of miles below it will meet and listen to the vice-president of the United States who is now speeding by rail from the national capital to be at Celila and to congratulate Oregon upon the achievements already done and the still greater one now so nearly accomplished in extending mans dominion over tremendous difficulties. The opening of the portage railway to traffic on June 3, is but the assurance that in a short time the Columbia river will be open to navigation from Astoria to the Rocky mountains to the Canadian line and Snake river to the North East corner of the State of Oregon in Wallowa county.

Notice

Any one wishing to purchase fine bird dogs can have their wants fulfilled by calling on J. F. Jackson. He is very much interested in this industry, having on hands at present twenty seven.

COMING SOON

Auspices of

The Commercial Club

KATZENJAMMER
PICNIC

Directed by
Edna Louise Thompson

Steward's Opera House

Popular prices.

New songs, clever specialties, catchy music, novel dancers, grand egyptian ballet.

Come and laugh. Two hours of fun. Just a big bunch of fun. Sure cure for the blues.

J. L. MARS,
Contractor and Builder
Dealer in Building Material
La Grande, Or.

Drop a line, naming work, and I will give the right price.

Cash Counts
HERE

We fully realize the value of money and therefore sell cheap for cash. We carry a full and complete line of fresh groceries, hay, feed and produce. Highest market prices paid for farm produce. We have our own delivery wagon, and guarantee prompt delivery. Your money back if goods are not found satisfactory.

SEATTLE GROCERY CO.
ZUNDEL & LAWSON.



There are many kinds of meat, but we sell only the best kind. A trial order will convince you of the truth of this statement. We kill only the best specimens and kill it correctly.

Our prices are as low as consistent with the best quality.

Bock & Thomas

Dissolution Notice

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of Polman and Keher Proprietors of the Union Star Saloon has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. H. J. Keher will continue the business collect all accounts and pay all bills. Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 3rd day of May A. D. 1905.
F. POHRMAN
HENRY J. KEHER
5-4-6-4.

THE CHICAGO STORE

This Store Closes at 6:30 p. m. except Saturday

SPECIAL NOTICE
All Mail Orders Given Prompt Attention

Second in a Series of Extraordinary Sales

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25% DISCOUNT

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Clothing Opportunity

To reduce our entirely too large stock of clothing we offer the unrestricted choice of any suit at

25%

DISCOUNT

For one week commencing, Monday May 22, and ending May 27.

Gordon \$3.00 Hat for \$2.00

DURING THIS SALE

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Ladies' Suits and Coats

Excepting Wash Suits



Reduced 25 per cent for one week, Commencing
Monday, May 22,
and ending on
Saturday, May 27,

25% DISCOUNT



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Kid Gloves

You can get as good for \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 a pair, and to match your dress, too, good as the price can buy in the U. S. right here at the Chicago Store

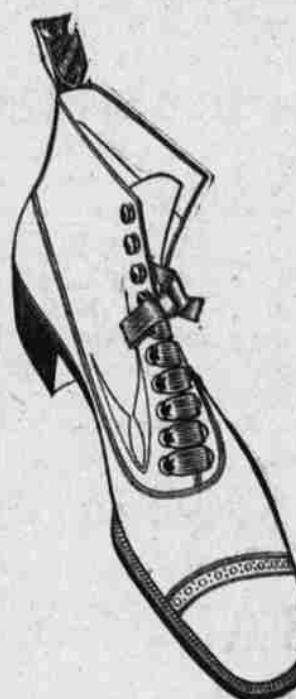
Hosiery

Nice fine, ten-fibre hose; plain, lace embroidered, etc., extra good for the price, at the Chicago Store.

A Bit for
the Neck

Lots of the newest and prettiest of turn-over collars, Stocks, etc. 15c to \$1.50 each. Also ready to use lace and tucked lawn Vests, Yokes, Etc. Or a shirt waist, a veil, a belt, a Petticoat or any such furnishing. There's one thing sure, the price will be right if it's to be had at the Chicago Store.

All Shoes aren't
Alike!



There's as much difference in shoes there is in candy or cigars, or Panama hats. Unless you're an expert in shoe values — do the wise thing. And that is — buy Keith's Konquerors. They're as staple as

Lowney's candy, or a Mayville's Best or a Paul's Perfecto Cigar.

\$3.50 to \$5.00.



MAJESTIC

SHIRTS.

"Europe and Yankee Land are ransacked as with a fine-toothed comb by the makers of 'MAJESTIC' shirts to get the newest and finest fabrics for their productions. Add to fine fabrics, unerring taste in selection and trained skill in making and you have the secret of the shirt that's 'FIT FOR A KING.' 'MAJESTIC' Night Robes will lull you into pleasant dreams. They woo sleep. 'MAJESTIC' \$1.00 to \$2.50 Shirts

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The Chicago Store
USE RADIUM SILK
NAME ON SELVAGE

Murphy Bros
WE SELL GILBERT'S
CELEBRATED Dress Linings