

The Isthmian THEATRE

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"Italian Blood" Biograph
One naturally thinks of jealousy and strife herewith connected. An Irish husband and an Italian wife are capable of anything in that line.

"The Forester's Plea" . . . Essayay
This is a western story that you have to see and you will arrive at your own conclusions from the peculiar outcome of the acts.

"Who Owns the Baby?" . . . Lub n
A baby is found in the theatre after the performance. The result is many funny situations. Everything ends happily. Miss Garrick and Mr. Ferris will sing: "O, Promise Me."

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were guests at the Sommer this morning.

Chas. Hugg was over from Enterprise meeting his old friends yesterday evening, staying at the Foley while here.

W. H. Holcomb of Readstown, Wis., transacted business here this morning, make the Sommer hotel his headquarters.

W. R. Ladd, assistant superintendent of the O-W., in charge of the mechanical department, was at the Sommer today while transacting company business here.

Mrs. W. R. Halley of Sumpter, is visiting relatives in Imbler and today is in the city transacting business. Mrs. Halley is a prominent church worker of Sumpter and is talented in musical lines, having charge of a competent choir at Sumpter.

Jack O'Neil, traveling passenger agent for the O-W. R. & N., is in La Grande today, the first time for three months. He has been in the east attending land shows and enjoying the thickly settled country. "Give me Oregon, my Oregon as a place to live," said Jack to the Observer today.

Modern Woodmen Attention!
The annual installation of officers will be held at the regular meeting next Saturday evening, Jan. 13th, in the K. of P. hall at which time the Royal Neighbors will furnish supper. All Neighbors are requested to be present. 1-11-2t

CORAL REEFS.

They Cannot Form in the Line of a Fresh Water Flow.
Coral reefs surround many of the islands in the Pacific. They protect the lowlands from the washing of the waves, and the still waters inclosed by them are the only harbors of refuge for ships. The reefs themselves furnish the greatest peril to navigation, and if there were no inlet through which a vessel could enter their protected circle they would be a danger and nothing else.

But almost every reef has such an inlet. It is a necessary result of the laws under which the forces of nature work. To understand this we must see how these reefs are formed.

Chemically the reef corals are almost pure carbonate of lime, the substance of ordinary limestone and marble. The reef grows as the shell of the oyster or of any other shellfish grows. It is itself the common and undivided shell of innumerable polypi, or minute insects, which are being reproduced and are dying in successive generations.

These tiny beings get all their living from the waters of the sea. It is from this source also that they derive the salts of lime from which they secrete the bony structure that remains after the animal is dead.

The coral polypi cannot live in fresh water. Their food supply is brought to them by the waves and currents of the sea. As a result, it is found that directly opposite the mouth of a stream from the island the reef does not grow. There will be the inlet to the inclosed waters.—Harper's Weekly.

The Matches We Burn.
It has been estimated that for each minute of time the civilized nations of the world strike 3,000,000 matches. This is said to be the average for every minute of the twenty-four hours of the day. Fifteen hundred billion is the number for the entire year, and those persons who live under the American flag are charged with the consumption of one-half of this amount. Small and insignificant as it is, the match demands as much attention in the choice of woods involved as any other forest product. Only the choicest portions of the best trees are suitable. Sapwood and knotty or cross grained wood will not do. Instead of being a byproduct the little match is turned out in mills where the byproducts are bulky objects like doors, sash, shingles, sidings, posts and cordwood. The pines, linden, aspen, white cedar, poplar, birch and willow are the most suitable match timbers.—Chicago News.

Preparing His Speech.
A reply very characteristic of the statesman and diplomat who made it is given in the "Autobiography of Alfred Austin." Lord and Lady Salisbury were among the guests at Hewell Grange. Lord Salisbury had come to speak at a public meeting. On the morning of the day when the speech was to be delivered, seeing Lord Salisbury passing into the study, I said to him:

"I suppose you are going to think over what you will say tonight?"
"No," he said in his ironical way; "rather to think over what I must not say."

To Meet an Emergency.
"Madam, have you any old clothes to give away?"
"I have a suit belonging to my husband, but I fear it is too big for you."
"Oh, that will be all right! You just set me out a square meal and watch me eat enough so that I can fill it!"—Washington Times.

Inference Easy.
Dixon—My wife is fearfully cross. It's a sign she's getting better, I suppose.
Enpee (resignedly)—My wife is always in robust health.—Stray Stories.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

Don't Miss The Bargains On Our One-Half Price Tables

The most staple goods in our store will be found on these tables. They will look good too, and exceptionally cheap. The time is limited. We will begin taking our inventory Monday, Jan. 15th, and at that time all goods left will be put in regular stock. On these tables will be found our most staple merchandise such as Wool Dress Goods, Corsets, Petticoats, Silk Waists, Cotton and Silk Kimonos, Ladies' Suits and Coats, Silk Dresses, Children's Coats and Underwear. Think of buying an all-wool Serge 36 in. wide for 50c per yd, or a \$3 Kimona at \$1.50, or a \$15 Suit for \$7.50.

LADIES' KID GLOVES.
Staple line of black and colors at 48c, 68c, 89c and 98c. While it is true, the sizes in these lines are somewhat broken, the values are exceptionally good, if we have your size. Look them over.

SHOES, CLOTHING, HATS, GLOVES, SHIRTS, HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR; in fact, our store is a Bargain Emporium. There is not an article in the whole building that the price has not been cut, except a few items, on which price has to be maintained.

SWEATERS.
Just the thing for school wear. There is nothing that will give a child more comfort these cold days, than a good heavy WOOL SWEATER. We have one lot on our bargain table ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$3.50, all at \$1.00.

Domestics

Full width sheeting, per yd. .20c
Good grade ticking, per yd. .10c
Hope muslin, bleached, yd. 7 1/2c

L. L. muslin unbleached, yd 6 3/4c
Mt. Hood outing flannel, yd 9 1/4c
28 inch percales, per yd.5c

Flannellettes, standard, best grade 8 L-8c
Sheets, 72x90, each 47c
Pillow cases, 42x36 10c

BARGAIN BASEMENT. WIRE GOODS

Egg boilers, heavy wire, holds eight eggs, and saves handling and break 23c
Asparagus cookers, heavy wire with handle to set in kettle and lift out when done 23c
Handy device to put on lamp, for warm small quantities of food or water. Fits any lamp 10c
Soap racks, wire, can set on stand or hung on wall 5c
Soap racks, heavier, large sizes, each 10c
Whisk broom holders, heavy twisted wire, retinned, a durable and convenient article 15c
Egg whips, woven wire center, with 6 inch twisted wire handle 5c
Electric egg whip, heavier and better made 9c
Wire lades, extra heavy, twisted wire, for dish- ing vegetables or straining soup 13c
Toasters, medium size, good weight wire 9c
Large size, 9x9, will hold four slices of bread 21c
Larger and heavier wire, 9x10 1/2, each 27c
Comb cases, heavy wire, retinned, size 8x3 inches 23c
Sponge baskets, 6x6x9, heavy retinned wire. 45c
Mail boxes, to fasten on porch wall, neat and convenient for mail carriers, 6x8 in. 33c
Same as above, larger and heavier, with cover 49c

BARGAIN BASEMENT CONT'D

Meat forks, heavy retinned wire, three tined, 8 inch handle 5c
Same as above, extra heavy wire, retinned 12 inch handle, hook to hang on kettle 10c
Potato mashers, good heavy wire, square, with painted wood handle 9c
Same as above, extra heavy, retinned, black enamel handle 10c

TINWARE.
1 1/2 pint coffee pots, heavy tin, good substantial handle 13c
Same as above, 2 pints, each 18c
Pleeced tin milk strainers, each 23c
1 piece retinned, each 23c
Large extra heavy, retinned, for can 43c
Colanders, 12 inch pleeced tin, each 23c
No. 8 steamer, heavy weight, and well made 35c
Same as above, No. 9, each 40c
Acme flour sifter, each 15c
6 quart 1 X tin, milk pans 10c
8 quart 1 X tin, milk pans 13c
Measuring cups, 1 quart heavy tin 10c
Same as above, 2 quart, each 13c
Milk cans, 2 quart, 1 X tin, with good heavy bale and handled cover 23c
Suds dipper, large, heavy retinned 23c

BARGAIN BASEMENT CONT'D

Gem tins, 1 X tin, holds 6 15c
Same as above, holds 8 18c
Clean Cut cake tin, each 10c
Loose bottom cake tins, 9 in. round 15c
Same as above, square, 8 inch 18c
Fire shovels, heavy Japan, 12 inch, flat handle 5c
Same as above, 15 in round handle 8c
Milk skimmers, flat pierced, each 5c
Same as above with handle, heavy retinned 5c
Cake turners, 3x3 1/2 steel blade, painted wood handle 9c
Same as above, spring steel blade, enameled handle 10c
Cookey cutters, all sizes, round and fancy shapes 5c
Cups, 1 pint, heavy two piece, with good handles 2 for 5c
Dustpan, 12 inch, Japanned tinned, very durably made 10c
There isn't an article of necessity for your kitchen use, that cannot be found in our Bargain Basement, and they can be had by you absolutely without cost to you. By saving your coupons you can supply yourself with all of these necessities. Our stock in the basement department is very complete in all lines. Save your coupons.

QUALITY THE SAME

THE GOLDEN RULE COMPANY

PRICES LESS

As "Home Sweet Home" is Sung. She had a voice like a siren, and when she sang "Mid play surs, sand palaces, the beam a roame, be it averse oh hum bull, there snow play sly comb," and so on to the conclusion, there wasn't a dry eye in the room.—United Presbyterian.

Misleading.
"Well, well," exclaimed Nagget over his paper, "that's a queer heading for this article. It says 'Woman's Talk.'" "What's so queer about that?" demanded his wife.
"Why, there's only about half a column of it."

Unless the habit leads to happiness the best habit is to contract none.—Zimmerman.

OREGONIAN COGITATES.

Reviews Political Situation as Relates to Congress.

(Portland Oregonian)

Since that part of the state east of the Cascade Mountains was created into a separate congressional district by act of the last state legislature, it has been a quiet day when some candidate did not aspire to some one or other of the offices within the gift of the electors of that section. This is particularly true in the matter of candidates for representative in congress from the second district. Latest among the aspirants among republicans for this nomination is George T. Cochran of La Grande.

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LADIES
We have a lot of ladies woollens we will make a reduction on for the next 30 days. A. V. ANDREWS. 1-10-4t

Vegetables
Such as Canned Spinach, Squash, Pumpkin, Asparagus, Little Jewel Peas, Beets, Etc., brings to your table the most delicate vegetables from Maine, California and Oregon. Each gathered at its best, and packed right there.
25c a Can
for Squash or Pumpkin, and each will make 4pies
For Sale by
Pattison Bros.
PHONE NUMBERS MAIN 80 AND MAIN 79.

PERSONALS.

B. C. Hoepke, a Walla Wallan, was at the Sommer this morning.

H. H. Schwartz, Jr., and Ethos, F. Boylis, both of Portland, were Sommer guests this morning.

H. C. Moyes was here from Joseph this morning, making the Foley his headquarters.

H. W. Re Dell of Elgin transacted business here last night, stopping at the Foley.

Roger A. Clark, a Union citizen, spent this morning in La Grande, staying at the Foley.

D. J. Stoats and wife of Walla Walla