

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

A VIEW OF FIRST STREET.

The beautiful front page engraving will give our readers a very good idea of what Portland's principal business street is like. We are positive, not only from our own observations, but from those of others who have traveled considerably, that no other city in the world with the population that Portland has, can show so many substantial business blocks and magnificent residences as this city. In glancing at the engraving, we observe on the right the sign of

THE OCCIDENTAL HOTEL.

Kept by Messrs. S. D. & Thomas Smith. Both of these gentlemen are so well known to the traveling community, that any further introduction here would be superfluous. The building is a neat three-story structure, with entrances on both First and Morrison streets. It is pleasantly located on one of the principal business corners in the city, and contains all the conveniences to make a stay there as pleasant as possible. In the same block, and just on the corner below, known as First and Alder, we come to

ISAAC BLUM'S CIGAR STORE.

In Capt. Gilman's handsome three-story brick building, and directly opposite the Odd Fellow's Temple. "Ike," as he is familiarly called by his large circle of acquaintances, is one of the live men of this city; is enterprising and liberal to a fault, and does, without a doubt, the largest retail cigar and tobacco business in this city. His record as a business man and citizen is without a blot, and no man yet has ever been known to emanate from "Ike." Aside from business, Mr. Blum is a valued contributor to the press, and many are the gems of his production which have ornamented Oregon and California papers. Crossing the street, the first signboard in sight is the one of

FISHEL & ROBERTS.

The largest clothing house in the State, and the handsomest on the Pacific Coast. It is located in Strowbridge's elegant building, erected at an expense of about \$100,000, and is one of the establishments we feel proud of. Both of the proprietors have had a long business career in this State, Mr. Roberts' being 32 years. For honesty and fair dealing, few houses compare with this one; and although they occupy elegant quarters, the volume of business transacted by them is so great, and purchasing in so much larger quantities, they successfully compete with any house in the State. Aside from clothing and gentlemen's furnishing goods, they also have a hat department, where all kinds of hats—from an elegant "Beaver" to the ordinary wool—are kept in stock or made to order. In the upper story is located the merchant tailoring department, presided over by one of the best cutters on the Pacific Coast; and with the immense stock of fashionable beaver and cassimere cloth for fall and winter wear, which they are now receiving, they are enabled to suit the taste of most any one. We cross Alder street and come to the Odd Fellow's Temple, wherein is located

THE COSMOPOLITAN BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

Of which Messrs. J. F. Miller & Co. are proprietors. This is a comparatively new establishment in this city, although Mr. Miller is favorably known in this State, he having been engaged in business at Oregon City for a number of years. The first adjunct of the establishment, Mr. Frank Protzman, is known to the shoe-buying community of this city as a man who has never misrepresented an article. An examination of their

large stock will at once convince even the most careless that their goods are superior to anything in that line formerly kept here by shoe-dealers. We next come to the elegant brick structure, having a frontage of fifty feet on First street, and occupied by

ALISKY & HEGELE.

These gentlemen started here twelve years ago, on a very small scale, and by strict attention to business have built up an immense trade, extending throughout Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Alisky & Hegele's candies can be found in more than one-half of the retail candy stores in the Pacific Northwest. They are the owners of the handsome building they occupy, which they erected with especial care and convenience for their business. The First-street entrance is the elegant retail department, where a child purchasing ten cents worth of candy is as politely waited on as the wholesale customer purchasing hundreds of dollars worth would be in their wholesale department on the Alder-street side. Immediately back of the candy store is the oyster saloon and lunch-room, which is said to be one of the handsomest in the United States. It is richly, but by no means gaudily furnished, and is the favorite lunch-room for merchants. As before mentioned, the wholesale department has an entrance on Alder street, and immediately back of it is the factory, which connects through the lunch-room kitchen with the First-street store, giving the proprietors thorough supervision of all departments of their extensive business. Altogether, this may be safely mentioned as the most complete establishment of the kind on the Pacific Coast. Adjoining this is

HENRICHSEN'S JEWELRY STORE.

Also known as the Oregon Jewelry Manufacturing, occupying the large store at No. 149 First street. The front has handsome plate-glass windows, wherein may be seen the very latest styles in the jewelry line, not only of their own production, but also from the largest manufacturing establishments abroad. The silverware and clock department is fully up to the standard, whilst the dazzling display of diamonds and rare stones is fairly bewildering. In the rear of the salesroom are the convenient workshops wherein a number of skilled workmen are constantly employed at the various branches of jewelry manufacturing, engraving and enameling. This is the only establishment of the kind north of San Francisco, and those entrusting orders to Messrs. L. C. Henrichsen & Co., can rely on always getting just what they order. This establishment is the only one in Portland taking transit observations of the sun, and giving the correct time to its patrons. It is also the only place where ship chronometers are rated and correct Greenwich time given. Adjoining this establishment is the elegant drug store of

E. B. SKINMORE & CO.

They have a full stock of everything pertaining to the Drug business, and make a specialty of physicians' prescriptions, this department being in charge of Mr. C. E. Sitten, a native Oregonian, and a gentleman fully qualified for the position he occupies. It is a saying here that all great men come from Yamhill—Mr. Sitten was born and raised in Yamhill county. The firm has been established here since 1867, and enjoys the confidence of Portlanders. In the second story of the building occupied by Skidmore & Co. and L. C. Henrichsen & Co. are the dental rooms of

BARREX & NICKLIN.

These gentlemen are both graduates of the Philadelphia Dental College, and have an extensive practice. They have been established here for

three and a half years, are the successors of Hatch & Thompson, and fully deserve the enviable reputation they enjoy. We now come to the handsome three-story brick, known as the Terwilliger building, wherein is located

HARRIS & SON'S

Cloak manufactory and Ladies' Furnishing Store. The firm carry as full a stock in their line of business as can be found in any establishment of the kind on the Pacific Coast. Their specialty is dress and cloak making, wherein they excel, a fact proven by the large patronage they enjoy in that line. Last, but by no means least, is the jewelry store of

D. L. STONE.

This is located at the N. W. corner of First and Morrison Sts., and has been fitted up regardless of expense. The arrangement of the beautiful plate glass windows, with their many reflectors, adorning the front of the salesrooms, is a sight in itself, and no stranger should leave the city without first visiting this establishment. Mr. Stone has followed this line of business for twenty-nine years. He came to Portland in 1868, since which time he has built up a fine trade. He keeps nothing but solid goods in the jewelry line, no plated ware being admitted into his store. Besides a large display of diamonds, watches and clocks, he has in stock a full supply of optical goods, for which he has a large and increasing demand, and is agent for the celebrated Diamond spectacles. Mr. Stone's establishment is the Oregon headquarters for the California Jewelry Manufacturing Company, an institution giving steady employment to more than one hundred skilled workmen.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK VALLEY.—

This valley is situated in Stevens county, Washington Territory. Its waters flow in a westerly direction and empty into Hangman creek. The soil is a dark rich loam and so far as tested has proved productive. The valley is in a high altitude surrounded by the lofty peaks of the Ceur D'Alenes, studded with stately cedar, pine, fir and tamarack, presenting a most interesting and lovely scene, of which the beholder's eyes never tire, especially when viewed at this season or whilst bedecked in the habiliment of "Nature's enchanted robes." Grouse, prairie chickens, deer and nearly all other species of game common to the Pacific Northwest, can be found here in abundance. Timber can be had without any trouble, and, altogether, this valley offers many advantages to immigrants.

LANE county contains more post-offices than any other county in Oregon or Washington Territory. It raised one hundred and eighty bushels of wheat on one acre and a half of ground this season; has a greater variety of scenery and a larger extent of good farming land than any other county in the State; has the University and numerous other advantages. It is a good place for immigrants to find homes.—*Eugene Journal.*