

LISTS UP TO 2500

Many Names on Lewis and Clark Fund.

SEVERAL HOURS TO CALL ROLL

Green Labor of Organization—Directors May Be Three, or as Many as Stockholders Please—Indecipherable Name.

P. L. Willis, who is making a transcript of the subscriptions to the Lewis and Clark fund, finds that the lists already bear about 250 signatures—more than enough to fill a dozen columns of the Oregonian.

As the record is put in order it becomes apparent that the work of organizing the corporation will be considerable. It will take four or five hours merely to call the roll. Then if there should be any considerable number of proxies, as is entirely probable, time will be required to verify them and see that they are in legal form.

This meeting, however, will run its own affairs in its own way, except that certain statutory requirements must be complied with. It may be found possible to do away with the roll call, though it is not easy to see how the presence of the requisite stock representation can be determined without a roll call.

Next World's Fair in Ireland. The next world's fair, commencing which comparatively little has been heard in this country, will be held in the City of Cork, Ireland, from May to November, next year.

NOT LIKE AMERICAN PORT. What a Portland Citizen Observed of Situation at Manila.

A Portland citizen of understanding and experience in marine affairs recently went to Manila. In a personal letter to a friend he gives the following account of the situation at that port from the standpoint of one who had not yet gotten his effects ashore:

You have no idea of the state of affairs in this port as regards shipping, port charges, customs regulations, etc. etc. etc. We are anchored about a mile out, all cargo goes ashore by lighter, native labor, with swearing white forenoon; have been here nine days, and have not yet had a chance to get ashore.

I am afraid, everything considered, that American products will stand little show here now, but there is an immense business, and time may see changes which will put a different aspect on the perspective.

A GOOD PLACE FOR BOYS. Churchmen Testify to Excellence of Bishop Scott Academy.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 18, 1901.—We, the undersigned, having visited the Bishop Scott Academy, Oregon's diocesan school for boys, and having become personally acquainted with its management, desire to express our conviction of its efficiency and worth, also to secure the influence and aid of all who can in any way contribute to its success.

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Our immense holiday and all-year 'round book store is enjoying a huge patronage these days—All the books that people want—young or old—Single volumes or sets—Calendars and Xmas Cards—And at the lowest prices; we ever quoted—Children's linen and toy books at all prices.

Basement

No better place than the Basement for holiday shopping—Thousands of useful articles suitable for gift-giving and at very low prices.

Souvenirs of Portland—Mount Hood and Hotel Portland in Vases, Cups and Saucers, Bon Bon Dishes, Jewel Cases, Sugars and Creamers, Pin Trays, etc., 25c ea.

Dainty After-dinner Cups and Saucers in pretty decorations at 10c and 15c each.

China Salad Sets—7 pieces—bowl and 6 dishes, 90c set.

Rogers A1 "1847" in Berry Spoons, Pickle Forks, Fruit Knives, Salad Sets, Butter Knives, Spoons, Sets, Nut-crackers, Sugar Spoons and dozens of other useful things and at the lowest prices.

Lamps—Over 500 to choose from—Every new style at prices 50c to \$25.00.

Chaffing Dishes, 5 o'clock Teas, Carving Sets, Sterling Silver Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Chocolate Sets, etc.

Leather Goods

Genuine Seal Combination Pocketbook and Card-case; also imitation walrus in all the best colors; 75c 48c value.

Imitation seal and walrus Chatelaine Bags with safety hook; great value 39c

Great variety of Novelties in Leather Goods—Collar and Cuff Boxes, Bill Books, Traveling Sets, Toilet Sets, Military Brushes, Cards in leather case, Flasks, etc., etc.

Groceries

Some very special prices for the next five days. If you can't come, phone Private Exchange 4.

- Tea Garden Drips, gal. 75c
Log Cabin Syrup, gal. 1.25
Yucca, 4 pkgs. 25c
2-lb can Sliced Pineapple. 15c
9-lb sack Rolled Oats. 30c
1-lb can Shrimps. 40c
Durkee's Salad Dressing. 10c, 25c and 40c
1 lb ground Chocolate. 25c
10 lbs yellow or white Corn-meal. 25c
Bulk Coconut, lb. 15c
Armour's Mince Meat, 2 for. 25c
Walnuts, lb. 11c
Almonds, 2 lbs. 25c
Uneceda Biscuit. 5c
Oysterettes, pkg. 5c
Saratoga Drips, gal. 75c
Santa Claus Soap, 6 for. 25c
Royal Soap, 10 for. 25c
C. & B. Yucca Oil, qt. 65c

Sterling

Silver Novelties at greatly reduced prices—Files, Blot-ters, Shoe Horns, Tooth-brushes, Tweezers, Letter Seals, Tea Bells and many other things, all at greatly reduced prices.

Bargains in Brass Goods, Clocks, Mirrors, Candelabra, etc., all at special prices.

Visit the new Picture and Bric-a-brac Department on the Second Floor.

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Umbrellas

Always have been and always will be a favorite holiday gift—Each season we prepare more liberally than its predecessor, until variety and styles have reached extent and elegance unequalled in the land—Umbrellas for ladies, men and children, varying in price from \$1.00 to \$25.00.

Traveling Bags

and Suit Cases are having an immense sale this year—Either one will highly please a male member of the family—Four big cases filled with Bags and Suit Cases arrived by freight Tuesday—We've been waiting for them many days—Here they are—the newest and best—many containing complete toilet sets—Coming at this late day compels us to mark them at unusually low prices. (Third floor.)

Aprons Second floor

We never made a more fortunate mate than when we ordered 200 dozen Aprons of all qualities delivered here December 15. When other stores are showing broken lines, we have the largest and most satisfactory assortment of the year for you to choose from—Every style, every quality from 19c to \$7.50.

Boys' Clothing

Our Boys' Clothing Department is getting more than its share of the general prosperity apparent around here. We sell boys' clothing in the same way we sell dry goods; that's why it's so popular with the mothers.

Boys' Russian Blouse Overcoats, cadet and army blue, ages 3 to 6 years; \$6.30 \$7.50 values at

Boys' 3-pe. Suits in Oxford and dark mixtures, sizes 9 to 16 years; reg. \$3.62 \$4.50 values

Boys' all-wool Sailor Suits, blues, brown and Oxford, serges and chevots, braided trimmed, ages 3 to 10 \$4.20

Boys' all-wool 2-pe. double-breasted Suits, gray plaids and mixtures, dark blue and black chevots and cassimeres, ages 7 to 16 years; \$4.00 value \$2.89

Men's Clothing

Two great values in Men's Clothing which hold good until Christmas. Fill your clothing needs at these prices:

Men's all-wool Overcoats, olive shade meltons in "Varsity" style, all sizes, great bargain \$13.65 A coat clothing stores ask \$18.00 for.

Men's all-wool Suits, fancy chevots, fancy worsteds, cassimeres and serges, \$15 and \$16.50 Suits in best styles at \$12.85

Men's fancy silk reversible Vests in fine patterns; \$3.50 and \$4.50 values at \$2.65

Special values in men's all linen Handkerchiefs.

Men's silk Suspenders.

Men's holiday Neckwear.

Men's Full Dress Shirt Pro-tectors. Men's silk Mufflers.

Men's Umbrellas, Canes, Pipes, etc.

125 styles in men's Slippers.

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Neckwear

Our entire stock of ladies' high-class Neckwear and Ruffs is being offered at a great reduction from regular price—These stocks, jabots, Persian scarfs, lace collars, Liberty silk ties, and ruffs in immense variety, ranging in price from 75c to \$15—Choice of the entire stock at special prices.

'Kerchiefs

The best handkerchief stores in town you find here—If the main floor one is busy, and you are in a hurry, why try the second-floor one.

6 pure linen lawn Handkerchiefs, hand embroidered initial, pretty box, price per box \$1.98

Double-hemstitched, all-linen Handkerchiefs. 10c

Pure Irish linen Handkerchiefs, narrow hem, at 10c

Plain and lace-trimmed Handkerchiefs, 3 in box 59c

50c Handkerchiefs of pure linen lawn, drawn corners, big value 28c

New Rugs

Just received—A big shipment of handsome Moquette Rugs, in all the new colorings and designs—At the following low prices:

18x36 at \$1.00

27x54 at \$2.50

36x72 at \$3.50

Special values in Axminster Rugs, all sizes.

Buy a "Bissell" Carpet Sweeper for your wife's Xmas gift—(Third floor.)

Stationery

The best values in holiday Stationery we have ever offered—These prices are for today and tomorrow only.

Hurlburt's new "Venice," assorted tints, put up in fancy holiday box 33c

Our 50c picture-top boxes of Stationery, two tints of paper, special 34c

500 boxes of Hurlburt's Venetian Note Paper, put up in attractive boxes, 24 sheets paper, envelopes to match, regular 35c value, per box 23c

500 fancy boxes, ribbon top, assorted colors, fancy Stationery, 24 sheets paper, with envelopes to match, big bargain, today 29c at

Hurlburt's Imperial Cabinet—containing three quire; of paper, assorted tints, with envelopes to match, per box 67c

Gloves

Glove Certificates sold at the glove department—A gift of a pair, two pairs, or a half dozen pairs of our good gloves will make a pleasing present to any lady.

300 pairs of ladies' "Manhattan" Gloves, fine quality glace kid, and all the leading shades, 2-class and all sizes, the regular \$1.75 quality at \$1.38 pair

Exceptional value in men's one-clasp Kid Gloves, in all the good walking shades, heavy winter weight, the regular \$1.50 values, at \$1.15 pair

Children's Kid Gloves, in new styles, all sizes, all prices.

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Holiday Spirit Everywhere



The Holiday Spirit has invaded every nook and corner of the establishment—Go through from Morrison to Alder street, or from Fifth street, or from the Basement to the Fifth floor, and at every turn you find illustration of the greatest gathering of holiday merchandise, Portland or the Northwest has ever known—So liberally have we gathered, that in face of an unprecedented holiday business, the assortment column presents practically an unbroken front—These are rush days from today until next Tuesday night and we must kindly ask you to put up with a small inconvenience here and there—We will right a wrong as soon as it is brought to our notice—There's 533 people to serve you and 15 delivery wagons to deliver promptly at your door the thousand and one things which the thousand and one people will buy here in the next four days. REMEMBER—Take small parcels with you whenever convenient—Trade mornings whenever possible—Keep to the right—Use Alder street entrance if you want to go to the Basement—Store open evenings until Xmas—Be patient at all times.

Christmas Shoe Sale

Seems to be an apathy of holiday enthusiasm in the shoe section the past few days—That's something we won't, and don't intend to stand for—No reason why shoe selling should not be active same as every other department—Can't be that everybody's supplied, and if they are, we here quote prices for the next five days that should tempt every woman to lay in a reserve of a pair or two—Then, why not a pair for Christmas-giving?—If they don't fit we'll willingly exchange them after the holidays.

1000 pairs—Five splendid styles of ladies' footwear, in all sizes, at a wonderfully low price—Heavy soled enamels with 10-inch top—Patent kid dress shoe, light sole, latest toe—Velour calf with heavy sole, latest toe—Vel kid with medium sole—Dongola, dull top and heavy sole—Your choice per pair \$2.29

Men's Shoes 1000 pairs of men's vel kid, velour and box calf shoes, all new this season's styles, and Goodyear welt, the regular \$3.50 line, per pair \$2.98

250 pairs of ladies' Felt Slippers, in red, black, brown and green, the regular \$1.25 line, pair \$1.05

150 pairs of ladies' and misses' Crocheted Slippers, in the best colors, all sizes, great value at 66c

Men's tan Russia Opera Slippers and Dongola Opera in black, kid lined: The \$2.00 values at \$1.53 The \$1.75 values at \$1.37

Entire Stock of Smoking Jackets Reduced

We don't intend to carry over one Smoking Jacket, Bathrobe or Lounging Robe this season—Want to buy an entire new stock next season—No better time for cleaning up than right now, when you want them most—There are immense variety of the very best styles and materials in all sizes at the following great reductions:

Smoking Jackets \$4.25 values at \$3.10 \$7.75 values reduced to \$3.45 \$4.50 kind reduced to \$5.35 \$8.50 kind reduced to \$5.65 \$10 kind reduced to \$6.98 \$12.50 kind reduced to \$8.65 (Second floor.)

Bath Robes \$2.50 kind reduced to \$1.98 \$3.50 kind reduced to \$2.89 \$5.00 kind reduced to \$3.45 \$7.50 kind reduced to \$5.35 \$9.00 kind reduced to \$6.98 \$10 kind reduced to \$7.65 \$12.50 kind reduced to \$8.65

Furs Second floor Our entire stock of Furs, including all Jackets, Scarfs, Collarettes and Muffs at prices that are cleaning them up fast—We never sold so many furs—You never bought furs at such low prices—Look here before buying—

All Silk Petticoats reduced. Bargains in Silk Waists. Ladies' Long Coats reduced. Novelty Costumes reduced. Bargains in all Silk Ribbons. Ostrich Boas at low prices. Celluloid Novelties in great variety.

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48c ea (Second floor) Special values in John S. Brown & Sons' fine linen Table Sets—Cloth and one doz. Napkins—Makes a most acceptable gift to any house-keeper. \$5.50 to \$40.00 set.

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Or., Rev. W. E. Potwine, rector of the Church of the Redeemer, and School Trustee, Fenclinton, Or.; Rev. A. A. Morrison, Ph. D., rector of Trinity and School Trustee, Portland; Rev. George B. Van Waters, D. D., rector of St. David's and School Trustee, Portland; Rev. Thomas Neil Wilson, rector of St. Stephen's, Portland; Rev. Edmund D. Simpson, rector of the Good Shepherd, Portland; Rev. John E. Simpson, rector of St. Mark's Church, Portland; Rev. W. A. M. Breck, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Portland; Rev. Clarence Hinman Lake, rector of St. Paul's Church, The Dalles, Or.; Horace D. Ramadell, School Trustee, Portland; John K. Kollock, secretary Board of School Trustees, Portland; J. Frank Watson, treasurer Board of School Trustees, Portland.

TREASURES OF NATURE

For Christmas presents. A host of beautiful plants and flowers now on display at Clarke Bros., 289 Morrison street. Palms, ferns, fern-dishes, decorative and flowering plants in large variety. Orders for Christmas cut flowers now being taken. Our fine roses, carnations, violets, chrysanthemums, etc., will tickle the hearts of your lady friends. They love them quite as well as you do.

SWETLAND'S

Will Be Crowded For several days before Christmas, and on that account we urge early purchases. We have an extra fine line of fancy boxes, baskets, bon bon dishes, etc. While downtown step in and see them.

What is a Gorsewort?

This case," announced Mr. Heraty, judicially, yet not without a glance at the visitors, "is a demand for compensation in the matter of a sheep that was drowned. William"—this to the inter-

preter—"ask Darcy what he has to say for himself."

Darcy hitched himself round, still with a shoulder propped against the partition, and uttered, without any enthusiasm, a few nasal and guttural sentences. "He says, yer Worship," said William, with unctuous propriety, "that Sweeney's gorseworts were ever and always hunting his sheep, and settin' on their dogs to hunt her, and that last week they drove her in into the lake and drawnd her altogether."

"Now," said Mr. Heraty, in a conversational tone, "William, when ye employ the word 'gorsewort,' do ye mean children of the male or female sex?" "Well, yer Worship," replied William, who, it may incidentally be mentioned, was himself in need of either an interpreter or of a new and complete set of teeth, "I should consider he meant either the one or the other."

"They're usually one or the other," said Dr. Lyden, solemnly, and in a stupendous brogue. "Sure William himself is no bad judge of gorseworts," said Mr. Heraty. "Hodn't he a christening in his own house three weeks ago?" "We may assume, then, that the chil-

children that set on the dog wor' of both sexes," proceeded Mr. Heraty.

The Ringmaster of Old Cornhill.

A circus without a ringmaster! They used to have black hair, parted in the middle and beautifully smoothed, evening dress (even at matinees) and white gloves. The ringmaster was almost the earliest hero; the butcher came first, perhaps, and then the policeman and railway guard; but the ringmaster, when his hour struck, thrust these plebeians, these usurpers, these Warbucks and Simmels, into impensurable darkness. That whisp was beyond all steel, all truncheons, all bullseyes lanterns and whistles; one would not exchange it for a scepter. The ringmaster's effulgence was superior even to the dimming influences of the crown's wit. That immortal dialogue following upon the bet of a bottle of "wine" (always "wine" what is "wine"? champagne? claret? sherry? port?—poor, I suspect) that the ringmaster could not answer three questions with plain yes or no; how often have I heard it and how potent it always is! The first question was anything; the second question was anything; but the third,

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propounded by the clown after long self-communing, was steeped in guile: "Do you still beat your wife?" There is no way out of that; affirmative and negative alike are powerless to rob that "still" of its sting; and off goes the clown with his bottle of wine, crack goes the whip, round ambles the old white horse with a back like Table Mountain, and the Smerina resumes her petty capers. And today the ringmaster is seen only for an instant, and the speaking clown not at all!

Dove and Diver.

It seems a long cry from "dove" to "diver," and yet the two words are one and the same in etymology. Dove was originally a name given to sea gulls (the divers), and only later came to be restricted to its present sense. Even now one of the gullmotes (a kind of auk) is called the Greenland dove. Loon and booby aptly describe the awkwardness and clumsiness of the great northern diver and the gannet.

J. T. Flynn, formerly a Portland real estate man, is now in the same business at Seattle. He addressed the Chamber of Commerce of that city Wednesday on the desirability of constructing a cable to the Siberian Coast.

W. H. Munby, a cannery man of Cross Sound, on the Alaskan Coast, is at the Perkins. He reports a good run of dog salmon and humpbacks, but redfish were rather scarce the past season.