Madison-Street Structure Has Weakened Under the Heavy Traffic.

CARS RUN AT HIGH SPEED

Under Such Continual Misuse by the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, Bridge Will Soon Wear Out.

Madison-street bridge is wearing out fast under the heavy cars of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, for which it was not designed. It was built to last 10 or 12 years, but from present indications it will not last more than eight years, and will have to be renewed three years hence, at the expense of the taxpayers of the city, and at a cost close to \$400,000.

to \$100.000.

The cars of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company are the heaviest electric ones in the city, and have been strung over the bridge in trains of three and four, driven at high speed, their wheels pounding the structure heavily, making it creak and sway. This treatment has shortened the life of the bridge—a fact that will become plain as the structure nears the end of its term. For this use of the bridge, the company pays \$100 a month to the city, according to the terms of a franchise granted by the city rms of a franchise granted by the city 1890, shortly after the city bought the old bridge.

Uses Bridge as if It Owned It.

The company uses the bridge as if its own, notwithstanding that the city bought and rebuilt the structure. Recent-ly the company finished redecking the bridge, under contract with the county, and though wagon traffic was stopped 50 days, the curs of the company were kept moving—this owing to the thrifty management of the company.

The contract was awarded nominally to the

G. W. Brown and cost the city \$865.50, but the work was done by the Oregon Water Power Company, and the bill to county was made out on a bilinead of that company. That the work was poorly done is shown by the fact that al-ready the wooden blocks of the bridge pavement are working loose, and num-bers of them have been pulled out by

The poor material of the pavement and the poor workmanship in the laythemselves already, though the cost has not yet been paid by the county. The blocks are "creeping" along the bridge, and do not seem to be secured to the deck, as the blocks on Morrison and the Burnside bridges. Crevices are opening between the blocks, which will prevent the pave-ment's shedding water. County Audi-Brandes has referred the complaints to the County Board, which will investigate the matter.

Will Soon Be Unfit for Use.

Unless means shall be found to stop the present misuse of the bridge by the car company, the structure will be rendered unfit for the general uses of the city within a comparatively short time. That the bridge was not designed for the heavy burdens placed on it by the car company is the testimony of W. B. Chass, who, as City Engineer, made the plans for the bridge and supervised the reconstruction. Mr. Chase said yesterday that while he believed the bridge yet in safe condition the heavy car traffic undoubtedly would shorten its durability. Ine Unless means shall be found to stop edly would shorten its durability. The structure had been originally designed, he said, for cars like thes drawn by horses or driven by small electric power, and not for heavy cars like the ones run over it by the Oregon Water Power & Railway

Company,
The car company has a practically exclusive car franchise on the bridge. Its tracks are broad-gauge and monopolize the wagon space on each side of the structure. Wagons have to turn from side to the other when crossing, in order to let the cars go by.

### Runs Cars at High Speed.

If the company ran its cars slowly, the bridge would stand the toads much more easily. But the company runs its cars at a high rate of speed, hammering and pounding the structure until the vibration is extreme. The pounding of the wheels very severe, especially when the cars is very severe, especially when the cars enter and leave the draw span, owing to the gap in the ralls at those points. Recently the county guards on the bridge have compelled the cars to run slowly when entering and leaving the draw

The county, which operates the bridge, can already felt the effect of overloading the bridge, for some six years ago, when the bridge for some six years ago, when a heavy car, drawing a trailer, was passing over the west-end span, one of the stringers broke, and only a miracle saved the span from tumbling into the river. Should the bridge ever give way beneath a long train of cars like those which ran to and from the Oaks last Summer, 700 or 900 persons might be plunged into the river, making a horror similar to that when a car dropped through the open draw several years ago.

### DELAY IS DANGEROUS.

Opportunity to Purchase Rare Art Goods Will Soon Be Gone.

But a short time remains in which to purchase Japanese art goods at the auction sale of the Japanese Fair exhibit at the Chamber of Commerce building. The stock is diminishing rapidly and the sale

is drawing to a close.

There yet remain on hand, however, some of the choicest articles of the entire collection and art counciscurs are invit-ed to inspect the same from an educa-tional standpoint if for no other reason. Among these are solid silver cloisonne vases and ivory carvings, the equal which have never been seen on the Pa-cific Const. The entire stock must now be closed out without delay, as the Japenese commissioners under whose aus-pices the sale is conducted are obliged to leave some time next week on official

For the benefit of those who are unable to attend the auction in the day time, evening sales, from 7 to 10 o'clock, sold. Those who have not yet taken advantage of these sales for the purpose of acquiring priceless works of art for homes are missing a rare oppor

Could Not Be Better.

The uniform success of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has won for it a wide reputation, and many people throughout the country will agree with Mr. Charles W. Mattison, of Milford, Va., who says: "It works like magic, and is the best preparation I know of. It couldn't be any better." He had a serious attack of dysentery, and was advised to try a bottle of this remedy, which he did, with the result that humedlate relief was obtained. For sale by all druggists.

# Great "Harvest Sale" at The Meier & Frank Store



Seasonable Offerings in All Lines of High-Grade Merchandise

The best bargains consistent with conservative and economical merchandising, is the definition of the "Harvest Sale" - City folk, the harvest man and the harvest woman are all invited to reap their share of the splendid bargains we offer in seasonable and staple merchandise of every description—Never before have we presented such a formidable array of special values—Never before were stocks so arge, so complete, so satisfactory—From all corners of the globe has come the best in wearing apparel and household effects—No other Portland store attempts to display equal assortments or values-Your Thanksgiving and Winter needs can be supplied to the best advantage during the Great "Harvest Sale" now in progress at The Meier & Frank Store.



### Basement Specials

25c Potato, Rice or Fruit 18c
\$1.25 Food Choppers
10c Dover Egg Beaters
6-quart covered Granite Sauce 49c Pans, 6sc value, for
The "Jewel" Washing Machine,
found style, 5 heavy hoops; large flywheel, making it easy to rub, and very strong; wringer attach-
ment, \$8.00 value, on \$6.75

### Steel Range and Heater Specials

"Peninsular" planished Steel Range, asbestos lined, steel-head rivets; ventilated oven, nickel-trimmed; perfect baker, regular \$27.95 \$23.55 model, for....\$27.95 

### Great Sale of Flannels

27-inch Snow Flake Fiannels. In all the best colors: 35c values. 28c for yard 10-cent unbicached Shaker Fiannel: 30 inches wide; great values 7c at yard
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### Underwear

Women's fine ribbed, high-neck, long-sleeve Corset Covers; all sizes; well made and fin- 73c Women's natural wool mixed Union Suits, open across the chest; all sizes; \$1.50 values. . . . . \$1.23 Women's extra heavy "Munsing" natural wool ribbed Vests, high neck and long sleeves; reg- 87c children's fleece-lined ribbed 39c cotton Union Suits.

### Women's 75c Hose on Sale at 25c Pair

100 dozen Women's Hose, in black and colors, plain lisles, embroidered ankles and lace effects in tan, Dresden blue, brown, pink. blue, etc. All splendid styles; values up to 75c a pair, your choice at, pair.....

Extra heavy-weight plain black cotton Hose, Hermsdorff dye, all sizes; regular 32c

Women's full-ribbed Cashmere Hose, seamless, double sole, spliced heel and toe. Suitregular 50e values for, pair ..... 37c

Women's plain black Lisle Hose in all sizes; best 25c values on sale at, pair ..... 18¢ CHILDREN'S HOSIERY BARGAINS

Misses' Cashmere Hose, all wool; double knee and sole; all sizes; best the values, on 27C sale at, pair.

Misses' and Children's "No-Mend" Hosiery; medium weight; seamless, ixl, rib knees and feet reinforced with stout linen threads; 18C all sizes; 25c values, for, pair.

Broken lines of good black Cotion Hose for children; all sizes; great values at, pair...12%c



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Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoon our entire stock, including 2

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things new; 50c size for 18c stovepipe Ename, can 18

## The Meier & Frank Store's 830th Friday Surprise Sale 500 Women's Walking Skirts \$6.50 and \$7.50 Values at \$2.98



Today's great Surprise Sale of Women's Walking skirts we expect will attract a great throng of eager buyers-By far the best walking skirt bargain you have ever been invited to share in-A great special purchase from a large Eastern manufacturer enables us to place them on sale at less than half their actual value-Light and dark fancy mixtures, blue, brown and black fancy mixtures, Oxfords, tans, grays and browns, tweeds, homespuns and Panama cloths-All are attractively made up in kilt and box pleated effects, button trimmed, well made and finished throughout and perfect fitting-Just the garment every woman wants for shopping and rainy weather wear-\$6.50, \$7 and \$7.50 values for ......

## 50c, 65c, 75c Silk Girdle Belts 25c Each

1200 Handsome Silk Girdle Belts on sale today at an extraordinary low price. Assorted styles in black, blue, green, brown, tan and white. Made of good quality silks in very pretty effects. With 

The Meier & Frank Store's 830th Friday Surprise Sale 1000 Pairs of Women's Fine Shoes Best \$3.00 Values for \$1.98 Pair



The best styles and leathers in Women's Fall and Winter Footwear on sale today at a price below manufacturing cost-1000 pairs Johnson Bros', famous \$3.00 values equal in every respect to the best \$3.50 advertised lines-Patent colt lace and blucher, heavy and light soles, Cuban and military heels; vici kid patent tip shoes, light or heavy soles; patent colt button shoes, welt soles; box calf and velour calf heavy sole shoes-All sizes and widths in above styles—For walking and \$1.98 dress wear-Supply your Winter shoe needs

No mail or phone orders filled See big window display.

The Meier & Frank Store's 830th Friday Surprise Sale \$1 Crepe de Paris Dress Goods 73c Yard

3500 yards of silk and wool Crepe de Paris dress goods. All the leading shades for waists and costumes 

### 30c Ribbons 18c Great Special Sale Youth's Clothing

All-pure silk toffets and satin taffets Ribbons, in light blue, pink, tur-quois, black, white, brown and navy 

### Neckwear

Women's fancy Silk Stocks, trimmed in ruching and beads; also separate

Women's Linen Hardanger Turnovers and Cuff Seis; solid white and white with brown, green, cardinal and navy, on sheer or heavy material; regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, 89c

New Tea Stocks, embroiders insertion with Val lace edging, shirtwalst plait effect, extending to the waistline; regular 50c values, on sale for. 20c Plaited Tulle Boan, with silk ribbon ends, rosette finish; all the new light sindes for evening wear; \$2.56 and \$4 values, for each \$2.98



Great Thanksgiving sale of College Clothing for young men. Best styles and materials.

Young Men's fine all-wool Suits, in dark mixed Worsteds, single or double-breasted, ages 14 to 20 years, \$10.00 values, for ..... \$8.65

Young Men's fine all-wool Suits, in dark brown plaids and mixtures, fancy Tweeds and Cheviots, double-breasted coats, 14 to 20 years, \$12.50 values... \$9.98

Young Men's fine all-wool Worsted and Cheviot Suits, neat dark mixtures, single or double-breasted coats, 14 to \$11.48

Young Men's Suits in fancy mixed Tweeds and Cheviots dark gray or brown plaids, checks and mixtures, 15 to 20 years, \$12.98

Young Men's \$20.00 Suits......\$16.65

## Today and Tomorrow We Will Sell Men's \$25.00 Suits for \$17.95 Ea. Men's \$25.00 Overcoats \$17.95

Men's high-grade Suits and Overcoats at a very low price today and tomorrow - The Suits are the best product of such reputable makers as Stein-Bloch Co., Hart, Schaffner & Marx and the Washington Co. - Fancy worsteds and fancy worsted cheviots and fancy tweeds in single or double - breasted coats - hand tailored throughout-finest linings and findings-hand-made button holes-hand-felled collar, etc.-Suits of quality and style that find ready sale every day in the week at \$25 each—Your opportunity to buy a handsome business or dress Suit at an exceptionally low price-Today and tomorrow at....

Men's \$25.00 Overcoats \$17.95

The finest grade of cravenetted Overcoats in fancy tweeds, fancy worsteds and cheviots - hand tailored throughout-52 inches long-the most satisfactory garment for cold and rainy weather wear-Every coat regular \$25 value-Best patterns and colorings Today and tomorrow your choice at this @ 1705 very low price of



### Leather Goods

Leather-lined Handbags walrus and seal, fitted with purse and eard-case; black, brown and tans; regular \$1.25 to \$2 values, on sale at this special price, each. 98¢ Handbags in seal, walrus and alligator, fitted with coinpurse; gilt or nickel frame; black, blue, green, brown and tan; 65e values ..... 43¢

Handbags in black walrus leather, nickel frame, phenomenal values at this low price, each ..... 9¢

## Specials in Infant's Wear--2d Floor

Embroidered Flannel for Skirts, \$1.00 value, yard ...... 83¢ Open-front Wrappers, made of Nainsook with tucked yoke effect and dainty embroidery collar and cuffs, each ... 63¢ Hand-crocheted Sacques, assorted styles, trimmed in blue or Lawn Coat Bibs, trimmed in lace, great value. ..........12¢ Knit Ribbed Bands, 35c values, on sale for, each...... Lawn Pillow Slips, hemstitched ruffle, lace insertion .... 39¢ Open-front Flannel Wrappers, braid trimmed, each ..... 69¢ Down Pillows, 16x16 inches, 75c values for, each...... 69c Quilted Crib Pads, 27x34 inches, great values at this price. 47¢ Beautiful Crocheted Afghans, made of Eiderdown wool; blue and white, and pink and white, \$3.00 values ..... \$2.47

## Perrin's \$1.50 Gloves at 98c Per Pair



Thanksgiving sale of "Perrin's" real French Kid Gloves, in black, white, mode, tans, browns and grays; every pair perfect and the best \$1.50 quality; your choice today and tomorrow at this low price, pair.....

Complete stock of Long Gloves in glace and suede, black, white, tans and all the new opera shades; all sizes, at prices ranging from, pair .....\$2.00 to \$3.50 Women's embroidered initial Handkerchiefs, all initials, wonderful value today at, each..... Special lot of Women's Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and scalloped borders, all new patterns, 35c

to 40c values, on sale for ..... New lot of Japanese hand-drawnwork pure Linen Hand-

### Thanksgiving Linen Sale

72-inch bleached Satin Damask | Great values in fine hemstitched Table Linen, newest designs in great assortment; regular \$1.00 72-inch bleached Satin Damask Table Linen in beautiful patterns; regular \$1.25 value 92¢ 72-inch bleached Satin Damask Table Linen, \$1.50 grade, sale at this price, yard \$1.21 72-inch bleached Satin Damask Table Linen, \$1.75 grade, for this low price, yard ... \$1.34 Bleached Satin Damask Table Napkins, in a great variety of new patterns; regular \$2.50 grade, for, dozen ..... \$2.18

Bleached Satin Damask Table

Napkins, \$3.50 grades on sale

for, edozen .....\$2.68

Napkins, \$4.50, \$5.50 grades, on

sale for, dozen .......\$3.52

Bleached Satin Damask Table

Tablecloths, all our \$5.00 grades of fine Satin Damask Table cloths, hand-hemstitched \$3.98 Round hand-embroidered Doilies, scalloped edge, neat floral patterns-

9-inch size, 50c values, at .. 39¢ 12-inch size, 75e values .... 58¢ 18-inch size, \$1.00 values .... 82¢ 24-inch size, \$1.50 values \$1.24 All our \$6.00 fine hemstitched Tablecloths at, each ... \$4.88 All our \$7.50 fine hemstitched

Cloths at, each ...... \$6.18

Sets, magnificent styles and

Hemstitched Satin Damask Table

qualities-\$10.00 Sets for, set ..... \$8.65 \$15.00 Sets for, set.... \$12.95 All our \$18 Sets, each \$16.45 Hemstitched Satin Damask Trayeloths; regular 60c val. at 48¢

## Boys' Clothing

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Little Boys' Overcoats, in navy blue and dark-gray mixtures, ages 1 to 3 years, regular \$4.50 values, \$3.65

years, regular 44.50 values, each
Boys' Overcoats in all-wool cheviots and cassimeres, full length, beited back, velvet collar; this season's styles; ages 5 to 16 years; regular 15.00 overcoats, on sale for. \$3.85

Boys' Overcoats in fancy tweeds and cheviots, all new, desirable garments, regular \$6.5) value. \$5.15 for, each.

Boys' Norfolk Suits at greatly reduced prices; best materials; straight knee pants; ages 7 to 15 years; grand values at—

\$4.50 Norfolk Suits ..... \$3.85 \$7.50 Norfelk Suits .....