

MAY HOUSE-CLEANING SALE

While you are bustling around, changing furniture from one place to another, you will find vacant corners, a small bookcase here, a rocker or stool there would fill in to advantage. Perhaps you have been wanting a sideboard or buffet for the dining-room or a better set of chairs for that much-used room. No better time than now to fill in your little wants. Our May House-cleaning Sale offers advantages to CASH buyers not often presented. Prices are greatly reduced and our stocks are complete. THE SALE WILL CONTINUE ALL THE WEEK



Your choice of either of these Chairs; golden finish. Sale price is—
\$1.10



Odd styles in Chairs for the parlor. \$13.50 kind for \$10.75; \$12.00 kind for—
\$9.00

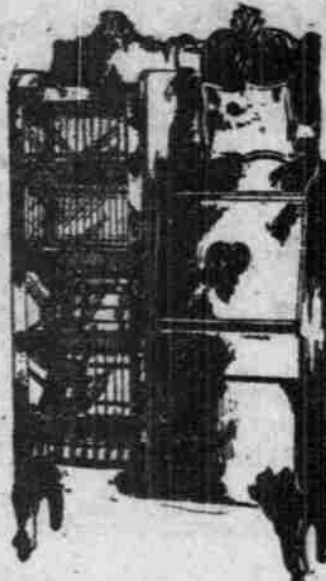


Don't leave your music or magazines scattered all over the house, when you can buy a cabinet in genuine mahogany. Was \$16, now \$11.25.



We have an assortment of Parlor Suites, one in particular covered with tapestry; regular \$27.50, on sale.....
\$19.00

Just received, a car of handy, convenient, and an ornament to any parlor—combination writing-desks and book-cases. The sale price of this sample, regularly sold for \$24.00—
\$19.50



Our stock of elegant Lamps is full and complete, and we now offer it at
25 Per Cent Reduction

OIL and GASOLINE STOVES

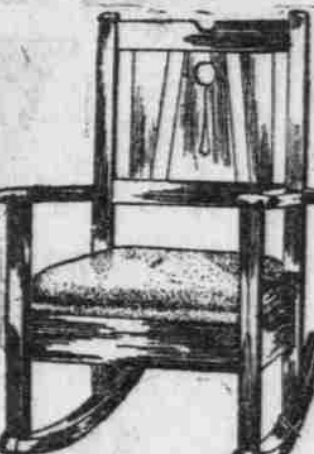
Are found here in a varied assortment. The newest things out, and a great convenience for Summer camp or cottage.



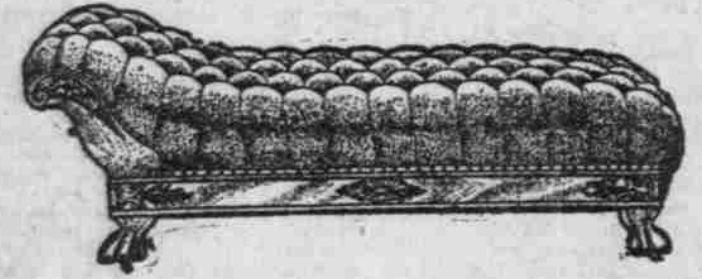
Golden Ash Sideboard, oval mirror, size 15x25; size base, 20x43; worth \$24.00; on sale at
\$18.00



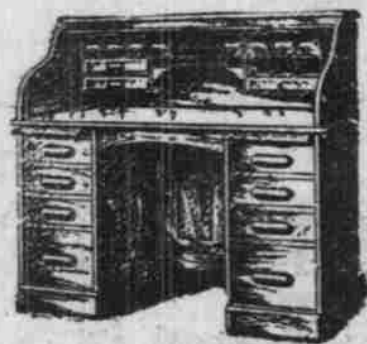
Dresser, made of golden oak, French bevel mirror, 20x24; reduced from \$18.00 to
\$15.25



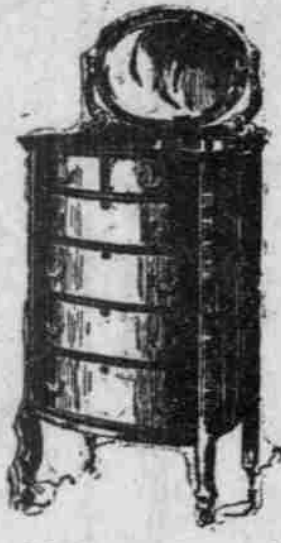
Mission Rocker, weathered finish, upholstered in leatherette; regular price \$13.50; reduced to—
\$9.25



Couch, upholstered Fabricoid Leather. Regular price \$18.00; on sale at.....
\$13.25
Verona, in two-tone green or red; regular price, \$14.00; reduced to.....
\$10.75



Roller Top Desk, in quarter-sawn oak, a beauty for \$45.00; now reduced to.....
\$36.25



5-drawer quarter-sawn oak Chiffonier, French bevel plate glass; were \$36.00; reduced to—
\$28.50

CARPETS

If you want to see a complete stock of Carpets, just take a peep in at ours. We carry every grade, and during the May sale we give a reduction of 20 per cent off REMNANTS. Bring in your measurements, and we can fit them. That'll bring the better grades down to a very reasonable figure.



POPULAR PRICED HOUSE FURNISHERS

POWERS THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

WE CARRY A BEAUTIFUL LINE OF GIFT FURNITURE



During the sale we will give a 10 per cent reduction on all Go-Carts, making our stock the lowest-priced in the city.

DREDGE NO MORE IN THE COLUMBIA

Chinook Will Not Dig Sand on the Bar Again During This Season.

HER CREW IS DISCHARGED

Big Government Dredge Will Remain Tied Up at Linnton Because Jetty Takes All of Appropriation.

Not again this year will the big dredge Chinook scoop a ton of sand from the mouth of the Columbia unless the War Department makes material changes in the tie-up policy which it has adopted for the Chinook.

All but four of the crew of the dredge were paid off yesterday morning. She is lying near Linnton fresh from the repair shop, her engines and pumps in apple-pie order, everything in readiness to go out on the bar again, simply doing nothing at all.

"It is probable that the Chinook will not do any more work this season," said Major W. C. Langfitt yesterday. "At least, not in the Columbia. She cannot be operated while the work on the jetty is going on, for she has consumed more than her share of the appropriation already. It was estimated that the Chinook could be operated for \$200,000, but she has cost \$400,000."

Meanwhile there are numerous complaints as to the condition of the bar. "There is a new spit forming inside of the old bar," says Captain Bridgett, of the tank steamer Asuncion. "The jetty does not seem to make much difference. In my opinion another jetty on the north side of the river will be necessary before the channel is deepened."

Major Langfitt says that his men have not discovered any such formation. The Chinook stopped work on the bar last November and went to San Francisco, where she was thoroughly overhauled. She has been back in the river for two weeks. Yesterday her men were paid off in the United States Engineers' office. Four were retained to look after the machinery.

Shipping men who have watched the Chinook say it is a pity another crew will have to be broken in at the peculiar work of deep-water dredging, as it cost fully \$15,000 before the men learned how to handle the pumps and suction machinery.

large quantities during that time. There was a total of 102,177 barrels, valued at \$399,296. Of the two steamers, the Humberton and the Aragonis, which carried four to the Orient, the Humberton went out with the largest four cargo steamer, 56,000 barrels.

The lumber shipments from Portland mills were 5,489,514 feet, valued at \$64,852.

Christel to Carry Lumber.
The German ship Christel, 1638 tons, was yesterday chartered by the North Pacific Lumber Company to carry lumber to South Africa, the consideration being an unnamed lump sum. The Christel came here January 19 and has been lying at the O. W. P. dock. The disengaged fleet in the river is now very slim.

Marine Notes.
The schooner J. W. Cilse was floated from the drydock yesterday afternoon, and was towed from St. Johns to the Portland Mills by the steamer Modoc. She will load lumber for Manila.

The schooner Dora Blum cleared at 4 P. M. for San Francisco, yesterday with 401,357 feet of lumber for San Pedro.

The schooner John Palmer, which sailed from Astoria February 9 for Taingia, has been reported from the Taku bar.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.
ASTORIA, April 29.—Arrived down at 9 last night—British steamer Dumbarton. Arrived at 6 and left up at 11 A. M.—Steamer Redondo, from San Francisco and Coast ports. Sailed at 6:40 A. M.—Steamer Northland, for San Pedro. Arrived at noon—Barkentine Portland, from San Francisco. Arrived at 4 P. M. and left up—Steamer Oregon, from San Francisco. Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., smooth; wind northwest; water San Pedro.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Arrived at 9 A. M.—Steamer Cascade, from Portland. Sailed—Steamer Roanoke and Toledo, for Portland. Arrived last night—Steamer Columbia, from Portland.

Point Lobos, April 29.—Passed at 9 A. M.—Steamer Francis H. Leggett, from Portland for San Pedro.

Taku Bar, April 29.—Arrived—Barkentine John Palmer, from Portland.

PRaise FATHER OF OREGON

Letter Discovered From General Fremont to John McLoughlin.

PORTLAND, April 29.—In examining a lot of documentary material of a historical character, recently secured, I came across the following letter from General John C. Fremont to Dr. John McLoughlin, which explains itself:

"San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26, 1845.—Dear Sir: I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst., which I read with satisfaction, on account of the assurance it conveys to me of your continued good health. You refer to a statement made in Congress of an unfriendly disposition displayed by you to the immigrants arriving in Oregon from the Atlantic States, and ask me to state what I saw of your conduct in 1843. I have not by me a copy of the report of that journey made by me to Congress, but I am very sure that in it I made mention of your action and efficient kindness to the immigration of that year. I was in the midst of that portion of the immigration which reached the Lower Columbia in Winter, many of them destitute, or at least badly provided for, to meet the inclemency of the Winter. Had knowledge of several cases in which you aided the immigrants with stock and supplies without payment, together with valuable practical information to enable them to select their places of settlement. My general impression was that your disposition and

acts were both unusually friendly to the immigrants, and especially agreeable and useful to them at the close of their hard journey.

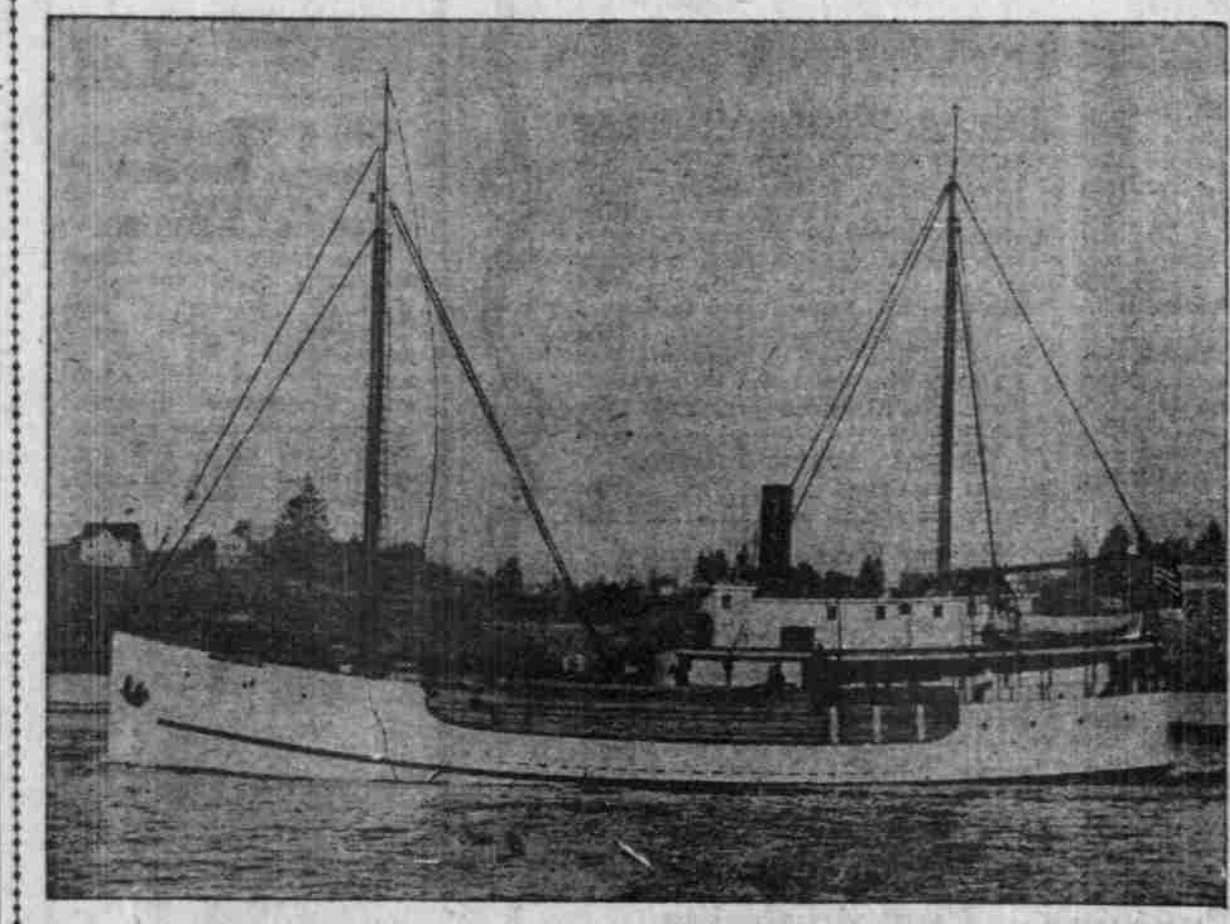
"I will make use of this occasion to repeat what I have always said publicly, and thank you for the kind and hospitable treatment I received from you in 1843. As we are now neighbors, I am able to hope for an opportunity to reciprocate it, but can never hope to make it, so agreeable, because I shall never find you in a situation to make hospitality so highly appreciated as yours was by me.

"With respect and regard, I am, yours truly,
JOHN C. FREMONT.

"Dr. John McLoughlin, Oregon City, Oregon."

What steps, if any, have been taken by the management of the Lewis and Clark Exposition to assist in perpetuating the memories of early pioneers of Oregon following Lewis and Clark, and but for whose labors the efforts of the explorers would have come to naught, the writer does not know, but whatever they have in mind to do, they certainly can make no mistake in recognizing Dr. McLoughlin.

STEAM SCHOONER SEA FOAM MAKES A RECORD VOYAGE



B. C. Ball and J. K. Kollok, of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, have returned from San Francisco, where they went on the maiden voyage of the steam schooner Sea Foam, the latest addition to the fleet owned by Beadle Bros., of San Francisco.

The Sea Foam is the first steam schooner for San Francisco to be equipped in Portland, and her successful trial trip marks the entry of Portland shippers and machinists into a new field. Mr. Ball, who is the treasurer and chief engineer of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, obtained the contract from Beadle Bros. for a still larger schooner, which will be equipped with triple expansion engines and will be one of the most economical boats of her type.

The hull of the Sea Foam was built by the Lindstrom Shipbuilding Company, of Aberdeen, Wash. All the machinery was installed by the Willamette Iron & Steel Works.

During the voyage down the coast the Sea Foam overhauled five other steam schooners, among them being the Poma, noted as a crack steam schooner and operated by a company in opposition to Beadle Bros. Beginning 30 miles from the Golden Gate the Sea Foam put on steam and began to overhaul the Poma, which was 12 miles ahead when first sighted. The Sea Foam beat the Poma into port by 15 minutes.

Off the Coquille River the Sea Foam collided with the schooner Del Norte in a thick fog. The Del Norte's rig was of a peculiar nature, and it was almost impossible to tell in which direction she was heading. When the collision came, the Del Norte's rock ballast shifted and she went on her beam ends. The crew was picked up without mishap.

not only the founder of Oregon City, but essentially the "father of Oregon."
GEORGE H. HIMES,
Assistant Secretary Oregon Historical Society.

TOWNE MUST PAY \$6000
Suit Between Congressmen Won by Journalist.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Decision for the plaintiff has been rendered by Justice Vernon M. Davis, of the Supreme Court, in a peculiar suit brought by Congressman W. R. Hearst against his colleague in the House of Representatives, Charles A. Towne. Both men represent New York districts.

The action was brought by Mr. Hearst to recover \$4000 and interest, loaned the defendant on a promissory note dated February 16, 1894. The complaint sets forth that payment on the note has been refused. The defense put in by Congressman Towne is that Mr. Hearst lent the money with an understanding that the borrower should write various articles for a publication owned by Mr. Hearst in Washington. The defendant declared he was not asked to write these articles, although he was ready to perform the services as agreed. Justice Davis, in awarding judgment against Mr. Towne, says:

"The allegations of the complaint are substantially admitted by the answer, and there are no allegations of new matter that amount to a defense. Under these circumstances the plaintiff is entitled to judgment."

Gives a Pleasant Bachelor Dinner.

A bachelor dinner was given by William Dills at his apartments on the East Side, Thursday afternoon, complimentary to Donald Bowles and George Bloomquist, his fellow-players of the Columbia company. It was a happy little affair, and was typical of the warm friendship which exists between these talented young actors.

BIG RISE IN REALTY

Down-Town Property Shows Marked Increase.

SEVERAL SALES RECORDED

All Land Within the Business District Shows Healthy Increase in Value. While Demand for Investment Grows.

Half a dozen downtown sales scattered over the whole district, made during the past week, show that all the close-in realty is being bid for. There has not been a time in ten years when property was so much in demand as at the present day.

The southeast corner of Third and Main streets was purchased by Frits Strobel yesterday for \$2,500. The site of the old Jewish synagogue, on Sixth street between Oak and Pine, which was purchased last year for a little more than \$20,000, was sold during the week to S. F. Lockwood for \$5,000. The property has a frontage of only 50 feet, and runs back but 30 feet into the block. The Lee Investment Company purchased a lot at Fourteenth and Morrison streets for \$12,000. Mrs. Byron Z. Holmes sold a quarter block on the northwest corner of Tenth and Washington streets for \$3,000. Hugh McGuire and J. Stuppenbach, of the Pacific Paper Company, purchased from the estate of Joel P. Fisher 100 feet of frontage on Stark street between Front and First for \$3,500.

Of these sales, that of the synagogue property was undoubtedly the best, and shows an almost unexpected rise in Sixth-street property. The sale by Mrs. Holmes had been rumored for a long time, but previous negotiations led to nothing, as no purchaser appeared for the property at her price, \$75,000. However, it did not take the market long to reach that mark. The sale of the southeast corner of Second and Stark to Dr. A. J. Glees and T. Scott Brooke for \$50,000 was also consummated during the week.

Transfers for Week.

April 22	.....	\$ 27,682
April 23	.....	35,740
April 24	.....	14,488
April 25	.....	10,435
April 26	.....	12,292
April 27	.....	110,674
April 28	.....	67,000
April 29	.....	250,161
Total	.....	\$2,500,000

Permits for Week.

April 22	.....	\$ 25,650
April 23	.....	19,950
April 24	.....	30,285
April 25	.....	29,300
April 26	.....	7,700
April 27	.....	10,975
April 28	.....	12,292
April 29	.....	128,900
Total	.....	\$128,900

Special Musical Services.

There will be special musical programmes at both services in the Taylor Street M. E. Church today. In the evening Rev. F. Burgett Short will preach on "Home, Its Lights and Shadows."

Will Elect a May Queen.

The Michigan Society of Oregon will at its May party, Tuesday evening next,

elect a queen to preside over the festivities of the evening. Votes will be received until 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, when the most popular lady in the society will immediately be crowned queen of the evening. The vote Saturday morning attending Mrs. O. H. Baker, 109; Mrs. Jay Wade, 41; Miss Ruby Hubbard, 38; Mrs. Jennie Davidson, 11, with several other candidates with ten votes or less. The Michigan Society will attend the housewarming of the Minnesota Society in a body May 5, and will be with the Dixie Society May 12.

FINE ELECTRIC DISPLAY

Business Men Light Morrison Street From First to Fifth.

Those who strolled down into the business section of Portland last night were pleasantly started to find Morrison street from First street to Fifth street festooned with brilliant electric lights. The lights were strung along both sides of the street and entwined around the telephone poles. It clearly showed the harmonious feeling and progressive spirit among the business men on that street. They will be lighted at night all during the Summer.

Ben Selling is the originator of this novel form of advertising the progressive-ness of the Portland merchant. Several weeks ago he suggested his plan to his neighbor merchants, and they became very enthusiastic and agreed to stand their share of the expense. H. C. Bowers, of the Hotel Portland, and Will Faugle, of the Marquis Tavern, have expressed their desire to Mr. Selling of having the lights extended up to Tenth street.

The lights attracted the crowds, and there were more pedestrians on Morrison street last night than there have been for years. As a result all the merchants along the street did an unusually brisk business. There is talk of extending the lights all over the business portion of the city.

Sues Partner for Accounting.

C. W. Ziegler and George Gardner, partners, doing business as the Pacific Coast Land Company, have had a disagreement, with the result that Ziegler yesterday sued Gardner in the State Circuit Court for an accounting and for the appointment of a receiver. An order of court has been issued restraining Gardner from receiving any money due the firm until the receiver has been appointed or the application denied. Judge Frazer set the case for hearing May 2.

In his complaint Ziegler charges Gardner with secretly doing business and converting the profits to his own use. He says Gardner has sold several pieces of real estate, earning commissions amounting to at least \$20, and has kept all the money. Ziegler further alleges that Gardner has numerous deals pending, one in Oregon City and others in Hillsboro and other points, the knowledge of which he is keeping to himself, and thus attempting to deprive him, Ziegler, of participating in the profits, which will amount to a large sum. Failing to effect an amicable adjustment with his associate in business, Ziegler consulted H. K. Sarrett, attorney, and they will try to have the court settle the controversy.

Lecture on Civic Improvement.

A lecture illustrated by lantern slides was delivered on civic improvement by Thomas McCusker and George M. Hyland, before the People's Institute, at the Men's Resort last night. Mr. Hyland told of the purpose of the Chamber of Commerce in this work and Mr. McCusker went into the details of what should be done to beautify the home and surrounding garden.

Serves Papers in Divorce Case.

Deputy Sheriff Parrott yesterday served Matthew Storey with papers in a divorce suit filed by his wife, Flora Storey, in Indiana. She charges him with having deserted her.