

# SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Our stock of Holiday Goods consists of useful articles—a splendid assortment, carefully selected and at modest prices. We will mention a few lines.

## Holiday Neckwear

Tiecks, Four-in-Hands, Midgets, Bows, Strings, Ascots and Imperials.

Prices, 20c to \$1.50.

## Silk Suspenders

50 cents to \$1.50.

## Fancy Hosiery

25c, 50c and 75c pair.

## Other Goods that would be Good Presents

Boy's Suit or Overcoat  
Boy's Hat or Cap  
A pair of Shoes or Slippers

## Smoking Jackets or House Coats

Reduced for Christmas.  
\$5.00 ones go at \$4.50  
\$6.00 ones go at \$5.00  
\$7.50 ones go at \$7.00

## Silk Handkerchiefs and Mufflers

Initials, 25c and 50c.  
White hemstitched, 25c to \$1.00.  
Fancy, 25c to \$1.25  
Silk Mufflers, 75c to \$2.50

White or Fancy Shirts  
Boy's Hat or Cap  
A pair of Fine Gloves

# Baer & Daley,

729 MAIN STREET



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1902

## RIDGE AND VICINITY

SEVERAL HUNDRED HEAD FINE BEEVES FOR SALE

All Live Stock Doing Finely—Gurdane Will Have a New Postmaster—Stockmen Looking for Winter Care for Stock—Christmas Tree at Gurdane—Joseph Doherty Returns from Ireland With a Bride.

Ridge, Dec. 18.—William Putter and Sons, of Ukiah, moved their cattle to the straw sheds a few days ago.

James Nelson of Butte Creek was doing business in our vicinity a few days ago. Mr. Nelson says he has about 50 head of nice beef steers and two carloads of cows for sale.

He stated that James L. Hall of Gurdane has about 40 head of good-beeves for sale.

We have been having nice growing weather, with plenty of rain and some freezing. Stock are doing fairly well just now.

Burton Smith of Bear Creek is putting in a large elevated cistern at his home ranch.

James Marcum of Gurdane has about 15 head of fine beef for sale.

W. J. Fahrwald is said to be improving slowly but steadily.

Chris Nelson of Gurdane was in Pendleton this week, arranging for to take charge of the Gurdane postoffice.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hinkle and family have moved over north of Pendleton, where they will spend the winter and keep their cattle on straw.

Ed Rhinehart and George Gibbons of Alta were down in this part of the country looking for winter quarters for some of their stock.

There is going to be a Xmas tree at the Gurdane church.

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## FEEDING SHEEP FOR MARKET.

G. W. Rugg holding 3,500 on His Ranch in the Outskirts of Pendleton.

G. W. Rugg is feeding a band of 3,500 head of sheep for the January and February markets on his Wild Horse ranch in the suburbs of this city.

The open winter has been most favorable for making mutton, and with the mud and rain have interfered in the measure with the feeding, the warm, moist weather has been a decided advantage to the feeders.

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The mutton market is now at a very uncertain stage. The grass sheep are practically all gone, and the grain sheep have not yet entered the market, to any great extent, and the buyers will not offer an advance in the price, which will justify the feeders to let their grain feed sheep go at this time.

Mr. Rugg's sheep are all first-class large animals, and will bring the top price, when he decides to sell. They are in good condition now, but will gain greatly in weight before time to turn them off.

This winter is especially favorable to range sheep, as the warm weather has provided good grass, and has saved feed. The condition of sheep throughout the county is better just now than for many years at this season. There has been no loss yet, in any portion of the county, and there is general feeling of security among sheepmen, although the hay crop was light in some localities.

## BREVITIES.

Frank Konasek, of Gibbon, is in the city today.

R. M. Powers, of Weston, was a Pendleton visitor yesterday.

Ivan O'Hara, of Weston, was the guest of relatives and friends yesterday.

Richard Powers, of Weston, was in the city today for a short business visit.

S. V. Knox, the veteran attorney of Weston, was a Pendleton visitor yesterday.

Robert Watsenber, a prominent citizen of Fossil, is in the city for a short visit.

James Dorran, a prominent farmer of the Wallina district, is in the city today on business.

Miss Katherine Kirkpatrick, of Weston, spent Sunday as the guest of friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Littlefield, of Starbuck, were the guests of friends in the city yesterday.

A. W. Bennett, a merchant of Wallina, was a visitor in the city yesterday for a short time.

Joshua Hopperan, an old pioneer of Union county, is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Staggs and family, of Weston, spent Sunday in the city the guests of friends.

Senator W. M. Pierce left yesterday morning for Salem to attend the opening day of the special session.

G. W. Hunt, of Foster, was a Pendleton visitor yesterday and returned to his home on the afternoon train.

Judge W. R. Ellis has returned from a visit to Portland, where he went on business of a personal nature.

J. J. Balleray left yesterday afternoon for a business visit to Portland, where he is interested in a case at law.

A. G. Bulholt has just completed a fine new house.

## REASONS FOR ABANDONMENT

THAT IS THE DICTUM OF BRIG. GENERAL FUNSTON

Location Was Originally Made on Account of the Locations and Hostilities of the Indian Tribes and With Their Passing the Fort Passed—Post is Disheveled and Will Not Be Permanently Repaired.

Brigadier-General Frederick Funston, accompanied by his aide, Lieutenant J. B. Mitchell, were in the city last night and this morning while on their way to Walla Walla on the annual tour of inspection. It is one of the duties of the general to command a division of the army to make an annual inspection of the posts under his command, and this duty compels General Funston to make a personal visit to 18 different army posts in the West. He started out in plenty of time to make the round and get back home by the time the Christmas season is over, but owing to the delayed trains he will now have to make a very flying trip to reach Vancouver in time for the event. He was in Nampa nearly all of the night Saturday, and reached this city so late that he could make no transfer for Walla Walla, which accounts for the fact that Pendleton was honored by his presence.

Funston a Small Man. The general is a small man, as a cavalryman should be, and is a very genial and entertaining gentleman. He has a short brown beard, and an eye which seems to see a great way, and to remember what it had seen. While out foraging this morning, the general was pursued by the East Oregonian's war editor and brought to bay in the doorway of Joe Basler's store.

"Excuse me, sir," said the correspondent, drawing his pencil. "In the honor of addressing General Funston?" The general looked as though he wondered if he was labeled, and replied that he was. He was then told that the speaker was sorry to disturb him, but that he thought it his duty so to do, for if the people of the city were to find out that General Funston had been in the city without having expressed an opinion of the city and the condition of affairs, they would feel hurt and would have it in for the paper.

En Route to Walla Walla. The general looked sympathetic and agreed to help the newspaper editor. "I do not know anything to say about the city, though," he said, "for I have not been here very long. I wanted to go to Walla Walla on my official annual tour of inspection, but the railroad seems to be against me. I have now lost over 36 hours, and expect to lose more before I reach Walla Walla barracks. I don't know why the road is so slow, but it is. I never was in Nampa in my life that the length of my stay was not governed by the lateness of the train."

"What are you going to do in Walla Walla?" the general was asked. "Are you going to take the soldiers there to Vancouver as a Christmas present?"

"Well, if there is any change in the post at that place it will not be a sudden one. There is no hurry to get the men away, and the buildings, though badly worn can be used for some time yet, so that whatever is the action of the government, I do not think that the change there will take place for some time at least."

Reasons for Abandonment. "I do not want Walla Walla to think that I have a prejudice against the city," the general looked somewhat. "Walla Walla is a nice town, and I do not blame them for wanting to keep the post, for it is a nice thing to have, but all of the buildings are rocks and the post is not in the right place."

"These Western posts were placed here in the first instance, to cope with the Indians, and that problem is now a thing of the past in this part of the world. Then again, the posts are too hard to get at. Look at this instance. I have been trying to get to Walla Walla for 36 hours, and am not there yet."

"It is the plan of the government to place their army posts on the trans-continental lines of traffic, so that the troops in time of need can be handled as fast as possible, and as cheaply. For this reason it is the case that in late years they have moved many of the old-time posts, and consolidated them with larger and more centrally located places. The barracks at Vancouver and at Spokane are large and so located that the troops can be sent to any point in the shortest possible time, and besides that they have large and convenient grounds for drill."

"The Indian is a thing of the past, as far as trouble is concerned. As individuals they are dangerous when drunk, but as tribes they are not to be feared. The army at least is in this part of the world. That is another reason that the Walla Walla post is to be moved. It was put here as a guard against the Indians, and has served its purpose."

Lieutenant Mitchell, the gentleman who is traveling with General Funston is one of the party who made the incursion into the camp of Aguilardo and captured that little man while in the security of his own lines. Mr. Mitchell was one of the first into the presence of the Filipino general, and was one of those to take measures to see that he did not get away.

SEWER INSPECTION Was Completed Saturday and Report Will Be Made Tomorrow Night. The council went over the sewer Saturday afternoon in a very thorough manner, inspecting it from one end of the line to the other, and with one exception found the work to have been of the best and entirely satisfactory.

This place was on the Alta street line, just below the crossing at the mill race. Here it seems to have more water running through it than is necessary, and an investigation will be made as the cause.

The committee was quite well pleased with the work that has been done, and there is no doubt but that the system will be approved by the council at its meeting tomorrow night and the contractors relieved of the care of it.

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