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Holiday Announcement!

Just prior to the enjoyments and merrymaking of Christmas time comes a period of perplexity familiar to all buyers of gifts. The selection of just the right and desirable present for each one who is to be remembered is oftentimes a burdensome task.

Whatever earnest effort and experience can do to provide our patrons with the latest and best has been done, and we are confident our efforts will not fail to give pleasure and the best of satisfaction.

The time of every Holiday Shopper will indeed be well spent in looking through our bright, fresh selections of up-to-date gifts. Timely hints and valuable suggestions will be made to you by the goods themselves, the fitness and desirability of many articles will recommend them as most appropriate and satisfactory for those you wish to remember.

At the present moment it is probable that you have a list of people in mind who should receive gifts from you, and the anxious question of the hour is WHAT to get them.

Come and see our varied line of really desirable gifts and the problem will immediately be changed to the simpler question of WHICH to get them. We acknowledge a more than common pride in our Holiday display this season, caused by the excellence of the goods represented, and the variety and range afforded for perfect satisfaction in the selection of anything from an inexpensive little remembrance to a solid and substantial gift.

OUR SALE OF LADIES' SUITS, COATS AND WRAPS STILL CONTINUES, AFFORDING A SUBSTANTIAL SAVING ON STRICTLY HIGH CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE GARMENTS.

OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS FROM THIS DATE UNTIL AFTER THE HOLIDAYS. YOU MAY CHOOSE YOUR GIFTS NOW AND HAVE THEM SET ASIDE FOR DELIVERY ANY TIME BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

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STUDYING THE GREAT.

M. R. CARNEGIE'S recent compilation of a list of the really great men has excited more or less disparaging comment. But in itself it suggests a natural and helpful process which most men and women go through at some time in their lives.

istics, the achievements which make a great man remembered are elements which most people can cultivate with profit. And there is an inspiration in the very thought of kinship which a common humanity and common interests allow one to feel for these idols of his best moments.

TIME WORTH MORE THAN MONEY

THE old saying that "time is money" long ago succumbed to the dawn of truer wisdom. Time is infinitely more than money.

But the only class of men who may profitably assign an exact value, in dollars and cents, to an hour, are carpenters, mill workers, and others of that useful brotherhood.

The man who does the big things, from bridge building to empire building, has no use at all for a clock when he is at work. In fact, he would often like to abolish the clock altogether.

But he is very careful not to try to perform in one hour just as much as he performed the hour before, or as he hopes to accomplish in a coming hour.

MAN 80 YEARS OLD DRIVES HORSE 40 YEARS OLD

WESTON, Ore., Dec. 8.—Amasa Phillips, aged 80 years old, is driving a horse just half as old as himself, and both appear to be good for several years yet of work. Mr. Phillips is the owner of valuable Weston land and town property, and labor with him is not a necessity, yet he is never content unless industrious from morning until night.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING. Train your mind to mirth and merriment which bans a thousand harms and lengthens life. SHAKESPEARE.

FOOTSTEPS ON THE STREET

I. Do you sometimes vaguely wonder Where the footsteps on the street Go through morn and noon and evening

In their measured, muffled beat? Some lagging slowly, Some quicken so, All onward go.

II. Hurrying on some mission bent, Halting not their goal to gain— Some uplifted, and some forspent— Watch the eager, marching train: No time take they To rest or stay— All on their way!

III. And thus they go forever— Here and there and everywhere— In summer's heat and winter's snow— 'Tis not for you and me to care! O, ceaseless beat Of tireless feet On the busy street. —Augusta Wall.

ODD FACTS THAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW.

The heart of a Greenland whale is a muscle of enormous size. It is often three feet in diameter. In Europe they dust the paintings in art galleries by means of air syringes. England has more rivers for its size than any other country on the globe. Paris began the construction of her system of boulevards, now so much admired, in the year 1536. Good umbrellas in Corea can be bought for about 12 cents. They are covered with oil paper. The art of engraving on soft steel was invented by Jacob Perkins of Philadelphia in 1812. In producing the tone or inflections

of the human voice forty muscles are brought into play. There are few beggars in Switzerland, and two-fifths of the adult population have accounts in banks.

THE CHARIVARI

When Joseph James Kerplunk was married the village cut-ups all broke loose, and all the junk in town they carried to his abode, and raised the deuce. They shot off guns and banged tin boilers, until the bridegroom, sore distressed, appeared and begged those bughouse toilers to chase themselves and let him rest. And then, to still their foolish ravings, and get some peace for self and bride, he had to blow his hard-earned savings for punch and other things beside. Next day he said: "Though I should tarry for ages in this world of men, you bet your life I'll never marry a female woman e'er again. A bridegroom's treated like a sinner by all these sporty village guys, whereas he should be called a winner, the center of admiring eyes. And men will shy at mat-imony, old maids will haul, this dreary land, until these snorts of conduct phoney are rounded up by law and cannon. Both men and maids are sad and lonely; they haven't got the nerve to wed; they'd marry twice a year if only the noisy cut-ups all were dead." —WALT MASON.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS MUST HAVE STAMPS

Uncle Sam's postage stamp is sufficient to take a letter to the realm of Santa Claus, but Uncle will not convey the childish missives to Santa Claus unless full postage has been paid. Instead of reaching the benign saint, the little prayers will be whirled away to the Dead Letter Office, if there is not full postage. Recently Postmasters were informed that they could deliver such epistles over to any responsible person or institution that would try to make good use of them in behalf of needy children, but this order applies only to such Santa letters as have sufficient postage.

"Mr. Carnegie," says the Toledo Blade, "has an income of \$44,000 a day." And as we understand it, he doesn't take the time to count it every day in order to avoid being short-changed by the cashier.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

The Times will be pleased to publish letters from its readers on all questions of public interest. Each letter must be signed by the writer, and so far as possible be limited to 200 words. In publishing these letters it must be understood that The Times does not endorse the views expressed therein; it is simply affording a means for the voicing of different opinions on all questions affecting the public welfare.

THE WATER QUESTION.

Editor Times: Will you permit me to express my indignation at the condition of the water served to the people of this place? This morning while ironing the clothes washed by myself in the water that we are compelled to use for all domestic purposes, the odor arising beyond anything I have ever known. I have lived here for something over six years and the condition has grown constantly worse, until now it is not fit even for swine, in my opinion, and in my opinion any set of city officials that will allow such condition to exist without any practical effort to change it, should be prosecuted for criminal neglect of official duty, fined and ostracized by respectable society. Yours truly, ALLA D. TRAER. P. S.—This is a protest in the interests of humanity. A. D. T.

LICENSED TO WED

The Coquille Herald says: "County Clerk Watson has issued papers to the following persons during the week to engage in matrimonial complications: Elma W. Nash and Myrtle Edgerton; Alex McLeod and Sybil M. Carlson; Clayton Butts and Catherine Carlisle; Wm. F. Miller and Ida L. Cornwell."

The Norwegian Lutheran Ladies' Aid Society will hold its annual Christmas auction sale Saturday evening, Dec. 9, in the church hall. Refreshments will be served.

WATCH GOING & HARVEY'S STORE FOR TOYS.

DUCKS and CHICKENS and DUCKS at Stauff's Grocery.

ATHLETICS ARE BAD: FOOTBALL THE WORST

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Athletic games in general and football in particular are in disfavor with Surgeon General Stokes of the U. S. Navy. In his annual report, the surgeon general presents statistics to prove the leaders in athletics in the naval academy have not been the best officers in after years.

TIE IN EMPIRE ELECTION.

Three Get Same Number of Votes For Position on Council There. Empire has a peculiar tie to settle as a result of its city election this week. George Jackson, Andrew Soderstrom and Wentworth Baker each received eight votes for councilman. As yet, no means has been agreed on for determining the tie. Typewritten ballots were used in the election there. For recorder, T. H. Barry beat Wm. Saunders by one vote. Capt. Jas. Magee, John Campbell, George Wilson and August Berg were elected councilmen. There were five councilmen to be elected, the fifth place being tied for.

BANDON GIRL WEDS.

Miss Anna Kramer, well-known in this city, and daughter of T. H. Kramer, was happily married on the 3rd inst., to Mr. Fred Young, a prosperous young farmer of Collins, Iowa. Miss K's many Bandon friends extended best wishes.—Bandon Recorder.

SUCCESSFUL RECITAL.

Pupils of Miss Mildred Hood Give an Interesting Entertainment. The pupils of Miss Mildred Hood gave a recital at her home in North Bend, Saturday afternoon which was enjoyed by all, especially the parents present. For various reasons a number of her pupils could not be there but all present took part and showed ability and good training. Among those taking part in the program were: The Misses Mabel and Frances Lane, Grace Murr, Isabelle Ferguson, Clara Ferguson, Jennie Johnson, Myrtle Lenet, Esther Sullivan, Gladys Ferry, Maude Fry, Ruth Fry, Wilhelmina Thom, Beatrice Carlson, and George Nelson. Eddie Ellerbeck, Ermond Carlson, and Milton Jackson. A public recital will be given by the pupils the fore part of the new year.