

HEADQUARTERS

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Cigars by the Box**Christmas Goods Galore****ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.**

Good Goods Our Specialty.

Local Brevities.

Northern Spy and Baldwin apples \$1 a box. Astoria Grocery.

Prize matinee at the Star Saturday afternoon, for women and children.

A shipment of sweet apple cider just in, 35c a gallon. Astoria Grocery.

Lars Anderson, a native of Norway, was granted first citizenship papers yesterday.

Armor's Genuine English plum pudding. One and two pound tins. Astoria Grocery.

Special sale of toilet and manicure sets at Woodfield's Art Store on Bond street.

Beautiful prizes to be given at the Star prize matinee Saturday afternoon.

Ladies' Terry Cloth and Elderdown Lounging Robes, \$5 and up at Danziger & Co.'s.

Thompson's glove-fitting corsets and R. & G. corsets at cost price. Black and Gray. Shanahan's.

The Congregational church will hold its Christmas tree and appropriate exercises next Monday evening.

Ladies and children should not forget to attend the beautiful prize matinee at the Star Saturday afternoon.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Arthur Lynne and Miss May Hotchkiss, both of this country.

Thomas Chambers and Miss Leola Peyton were married Wednesday evening by County Judge Trenchard.

Mammoth line of Smoking Jackets in the newest and best styles and materials at \$5 and up at Danziger & Co.'s.

Ladies and children's prize matinee at the Star Saturday afternoon. Don't miss it.

Louis Kinkella and wife returned yesterday from an extended visit with friends in California.

The beautiful prize matinee at the Star Saturday afternoon for women and children will be the greatest event of the season.

Circuit court will adjourn tonight until December 30, when a one day's session will be held.

If the weather man doesn't get busy pretty soon, Santa Claus will find it pretty hard sledding in these parts.

The almanac to the contrary notwithstanding we all know the shortest day of the year is immediately after Christmas.

A bill of sale was filed in the custom house yesterday whereby C. W. Rich sells the launch Ethel to Peter Anderson for \$1000.

Men's Smoking Jackets, plain and fancy weaves, beautiful styles in big variety; wonderful values at \$5 to \$12.50 at Danziger & Co.'s.

The public schools will close today for the holidays. A number of teachers will leave tonight to spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

New shipment of Men's and Young Men's Raincoats, Men's Neckware, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Shirts, Umbrellas, Suspenders, etc., at lowest prices at Danziger & Co.'s.

The usual Christmas turkey raffle will occur at the Depot Exchange, Steiner & Snow, opposite the depot, on Friday evening. There will be turkeys for everybody. The public invited.

The Eagles will hold their Christmas festivities Sunday afternoon, and the Red Men will have a Christmas tree Monday night for the members and their families.

Holiday Goods

FINE LINE OF—

**Books, Albums,
Xmas Cards,
Calendars.**We have what you want
for yourself and friends

Musical Instruments, Toilet Sets, Toy Wagons, Dolls.

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PRESENT**Special Price \$5.45**

Solid Oak Frame and Fine Valour Cushions

NOTE.—Sale on these chairs, now going on and you can come and take yours home for \$5.45.

CHAS. HEILBORN & SON
For Fine Furniture.

Everybody is saving the Imperial cigar bands, not only because they enjoy a good smoke, but are also anxious to win the diamond ring.

All the butcher shops in Astoria will keep open until 9 o'clock Monday morning, but no orders for delivery will be received. All orders for Monday delivery must be in on Saturday night.

One young man has started in early to swear off. Jos. Harberger, formerly employed at the Palace, signed a pledge yesterday against the use of intoxicating beverages, and says he means to keep it.

At the next meeting of the common council, an ordinance will be introduced raising the city surveyor's salary to \$125 a month, an increase of \$25. The salaries of the police commissioners will probably not be raised until next year.

All persons having LaVeras and La Imperial cigar bands must turn them in to the cigarmakers' committee before 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The prizes will probably be awarded in the evening as it will take considerable time to count them.

C. O. Runyon, who was arrested for larceny of \$70 from Fred Enquist, waved examination before Judge Goodman yesterday and was bound over to the circuit court in \$500 bonds. The case will not be tried before the February term of court.

Unless the common council pass an ordinance prohibiting it, the Standard Oil Company will commence the erection of another oil tank on the property recently purchased at the foot of Fifth street, about January 1. It will probably build the tank.

Bids will be opened tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock a. m. for building 42 net racks at the Occident and Columbia canneries. A number of bids have already been received from local contractors and one from Altoona. As soon as the contract is let, work will be commenced.

Cushing Post, G. A. R., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Commander, A. D. Craig; senior vice commander, G. Melbohm; junior vice commander, B. F. Allen; chaplain, Thomas Dealy; quartermaster, A. Schernekau; officer of the day, P. L. Taylor.

The Christmas exercises at the Methodist church will take place this evening. An interesting program, participated in by the members of the Sunday school, will be a feature of the entertainment. The exercises will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

The members of the Friday Fortnightly Euchre Club are kindly requested not to forget that the next meeting of the club is to be held on New Year's eve, Saturday December 31, instead of the regular meeting night, at 342 Seventeenth street, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Norman Callaway entertaining.

Persons desiring positions in the government service of assistant to the chief inspector, laboratory apprentice inspectors and inspectors of mechanical and electrical engineering will have an opportunity to pass a civil service examination January 18 before C. T. Crosby, secretary of the local board.

The Palace Turkish baths are a source of delight to the patrons who frequent the establishment—courteous treatment and your comfort guarded. Lady attendants furnished for lady patrons by appointment. These baths are especially recommended by the leading physicians of the city and respectfully solicit your patronage. Turkish baths and bed \$1.00. Russian bath 50 cents.

A large crowd was attracted last evening to Christensen & Co.'s market on Commercial street, by the taking of a flashlight picture of the interior of the shop. Never has there been such a large display of prime beef, mutton, tukeys and game in Astoria. The choicest beef obtainable has been procured for the trade, and no better selection of turkeys can be found in the city. The display is well worth seeing.

Some of the most unique designs in small boxes of cigars, suitable for Christmas presents and which will be appreciated by lovers of a good smoke, can be found at Madison's cigar store. These, in addition to the finest assortment of meerschaum pipes, and a fine line of smokers' articles, will be of great assistance to those looking for a present that will be appreciated. There is certainly no finer assortment in Astoria.

It has been suggested that the curfew ordinance be suspended the remainder of the week in order to allow the children to see the beautiful display of Christmas novelties in the various show windows. The display is much more attractive in the evening and it ought to make everybody happy to witness the boys and girls feasting their eyes on the good things designed for their special benefit. This is children's time, and they ought to be permitted to enjoy it.

The preliminary examination of John Tenhari, charged with criminal assault on a little girl in Uniontown, was commenced in the justice court yesterday. The case is being closely contested and not being able to finish the taking of testimony the case was continued until today.

Dr. C. E. Linton, the manufacturing chemist, well and favorably known to the apostles of materia medica in Oregon, has opened a first-class drug store at 1496 Franklin avenue. Dr. Linton is not only a graduate pharmacist, but has made several discoveries in the treatment of pulmonary troubles that bid fair to bring him fame and fortune.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather the streets and stores presented a lively appearance yesterday. Christmas shoppers from city and country were making purchases. Merchants appreciate the position of the Astorian in its efforts to induce people to trade at home, and it has had a material effect on the increase in business.

Harry Edsell, United States Chinese inspector, was in the city yesterday securing evidence in a case where an applicant had been refused landing at Port Townsend. Mr. Edsell has made very efficient officer, and in recognition of his services he has been recently promoted as inspector in charge at Sumas, and will enter upon his duties about the first of the year.

A call has been issued for a meeting of the representatives in the legislatures of Clatsop, Columbia, Pacific, Wahkiakum and Cowlitz counties and all trapmen, seiners, gillnet fishermen, cannerymen and cold storage men, and all others interested in the fishing industry for next Tuesday. If all attend there will be in the neighborhood of 2000 persons. An effort will be made to secure uniform fishing laws that will be satisfactory to everyone.

A suit has been filed in the circuit court of Multnomah county by Ida J. Hanthorn against Mary B. Knowles to recover \$2543, claimed to be due from the rents and profits of a building erected by J. O. Hanthorn and Mary B. Knowles in 1899, being the property on Bond street, where the Hanthorn hall is located. It is alleged that Hanthorn took charge of the building, made repairs and advanced the sum of \$6294 to put up the building, and that the amount sued for is the balance due.

Affidavits were filed by attorneys for the timber syndicates yesterday, who brought suit to restrain the sheriff from selling their property for taxes. The affidavits set forth the amount alleged to have been paid for the lands assessed, as the consideration appears of record. The difference in the amounts actually paid, and the amount as appears of record, are not stated. The case has been set for hearing for December 30. The sale will be postponed until after the case is decided.

Street Superintendent Kearney has had a force of men at work cleaning out the Seventh street sewer, which is blocked up. The sewer is down nine feet, making the work difficult. Mr. Kearney suggests that people having "any old rags or bottles," tomato cans and other articles of furniture, would not throw them into the sewer, there will be no danger of their being clogged up. Some people are not accustomed to modern conveniences and their carelessness, often a result of ignorance, causes considerable trouble and expense.

The Keith stock company, which opens a week's engagement at Fishers' Monday evening next is an accomplished one, appearing in a powerful repertoire of plays replete with special scenic embellishments, original in story and incident, pure in text and wholesome in meaning, presenting a repertoire of metropolitan successes, the equal of which has never been presented upon such an elaborate scale at popular prices. New bright and up-to-date specialties between acts, continuous performances no waits. The opening play is the great comedy-drama "Stars of Russia." Seat sale opens tomorrow morning at Fishers Bros.'s office, 109 Twelfth street.

Ice Cream and Sherbets. We deliver to any address, in any quantity, ice cream and sherbets for Christmas dinners. Special arrangements have been made to fill all orders. Place your orders now.

HOFFLER.

Only a few days more to save the La Imperial bands. They are a sure winner.

We have a few boxes of nice apples which we offer at 75c per box while they last. Astoria Grocery.

Closing out sale of toilet and manicure sets at Woodfield's Art Store will commence today and continue during the week.

Toke Point or Shoal Water Bay oysters at the New Style Restaurant.

Weathered oak rockers, upholstered in genuine leather. The finest line in the city is at Zapp & Co.'s.

A Word About Carvers

You've only a few days left in which to select that Xmas gift. Don't you think a nice carving set would be acceptable? We have them in a large variety of styles and are offering them at a

20 Per Cent Discountuntil the Holidays are over.
Better pick yours now, while the assortments is good.**Price Range from \$2.19 to \$7.50****FOARD & STOKES CO.****PERFUMES...****For Christmas Presents**

Chaise Perfumery forms an Ideal Gift for Young or Old, Boys, Girls, Young Men, Young Women, those in middle life or in life's decline.

There is a pleasing bit of sentiment about perfumes and their use that adds to their use as Christmas Gifts.

The place to buy High Grade Perfumes is at a store which has the biggest and best assortment and we undoubtedly have the most complete stock of perfumes in this city.

Come in and select your packages. We have them from 25c. to \$8.00 a bottle, all chaise, the flower odors, lasting in quality.

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SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK

Child's Slippers, red felt.....\$.60

Child's Slippers, red felt, fur top.....85

Women's Slippers, felt brown or black.....1.00

Women's Slippers, felt, fur top.....1.00

Women's Slippers, velvet, fur top.....1.50

Women's Slippers, kid, fur top.....1.75

Persian, boudoir slippers, hand turned, red and black.....1.25

Men's Slippers, in calf and kid—colors, black, tan and wine.....1.50

New styles of Dr. Edison's famous shoe for women.....3.50

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