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Our list of Christmas presents are full of interest. Special sale in all lines of ready-to-wear garments. Our line of toys still complete, and prices beyond competition.

OCEAN, BAR, BAY, DOCK AND RIVER

The Lurline was crowded with a Christmas party of people last night when she left up for Portland...

The French bark Eugene Schneider went up the river yesterday on the lines of the Harvest Queen...

The Harvest Queen took the schooner Fred J. Wood up above the Tongue yesterday morning...

Captain John Reed, of the bar tug Wallula, has gone out to his ranch on the Lewis & Clark for the Christmas holidays...

The French bark La Tour de Auvergne, Captain Le Bras, entered port yesterday, after an uneventful voyage from Hamburg...

The Portland-Asiatic liner Numan-tia should be among the Christmas arrivals in this port.

Star Cigar Store

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WHAT SCIENCE SAYS OF LABOR'S QUICK RESPONSE TO LEADERS

LIST OF EMINENT PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS WHO SUBSCRIBE TO THE THEORY.

Just as an indication of the way those next to the great proposition look at the proposed bill for the sterilization of the perverts...

ASTORIA: Doctors J. M. Holt, J. A. Fulton, O. B. Estes, Clara B. Reames, H. L. Henderson, Alfred Kinney, Nellie S. Vernon, Jay Tuttle, R. J. Pilkington, A. A. Finch and W. Lagus.

SEATTLE: Doctors C. W. Sharples, J. B. Eagleston, A. B. Harrison, S. J. Dean, George M. Horton and John Nyrvning.

NORTH YAKIMA: Doctors H. P. Wells, J. B. Crompton, George Sloan, Thomas Tetraiser, P. French, F. Hilton, David Rosser, C. J. Fletcher and W. H. Carver.

And this is but a starter on the great list the good doctor from Clatsop will have ready for the two great deliberative bodies by the time they convene shortly after New Year's Day.

THOSE STANDARD FINES.

The Standard Oil Company will soon become used to being fined, and the fines are of a sort not to be "sneezed at"; nor is the Standard sneezing at them; it is fighting them bitterly, cleverly, exhaustively, as money and wonderful talent can do it.

THE FALL OF CASTRO.

Ex-President Castro, of Venezuela, will never forget the Christmas of 1908. But he has made it what it is and has none to thank for his downfall save himself and his terrible lust of gold and power; he has plenty of the former, but he is shorn of the last vestige of the latter and is ex-patriate, to boot, the last civic extremity to which man may fall.

We Wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many patrons for their liberal patronage and extend to all

A Merry Christmas

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ASTORIA TO THE FRONT WITH A RINGING ENDORSEMENT OF GOMPERS' SPEECH.

The following dispatch was sent from this city yesterday and speaks for itself in terms that will be understood and appreciated by all with a definite interest in these live matters: "Astoria, Or., Dec. 24, 1908.

"Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, Frank Morrison, "American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C.

"Well done, good and faithful servants. Your courageous words in defense of labor and liberty, boldly given against the decision of an unjust and biased judge will mark an epoch for human liberty. Your courage and sacrifice are the most precious Christmas gifts to the toilers.

"Jas. L. Moore, Secretary Astoria Labor Council.

"H. M. Lornsten, Secretary Columbia River Fishermen's Union.

"Ed. Rosenberg, Secretary United Fishermen."

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Piles Cured in 5 to 14 Days PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 5 to 14 days.

The Way to His Vote. Lord Beaconsfield's skill in picking up stray votes was well known. An illustration of it is given in a book by Henry W. Lucy.

At the time that the imperial titles bill was pending there was a certain pompous little Irishman, Dr. O'Leary, who seemed manageable and was desirable. One evening in the lobby Disraeli laid a hand familiarly on his shoulder.

"Dear Dr. O'Leary, the resemblance is most striking," he said. "I really thought I saw again my old friend Tom Moore."

The vain little gentleman was captured.

He Hits Back. There had been a domestic spat at breakfast.

"You monster!" snapped the matron, who was always scolding. "You are not like my two former husbands. They were tender men."

"I never doubted that they were tender, Maria," ventured the meek man, "when you kept them in hot water all the time." And he just cleared the front porch two yards ahead of the rolling pin. — Chicago News.

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A MEDFORD STORY.

Legend of the Phantom Ship and its Mad Pirate Captain.

The town of Medford, Mass., has a legend of a phantom ship beside which the Flying Dutchman is only a peaceful merchantman. The Medford story runs that a ship laden with rum and gold and silver bars put out from that place in the days when the Spanish main was infested with pirates. It was headed for a West Indian port, but got into the doldrums and was so long becalmed that water and provisions gave out, and all hands perished of thirst and starvation.

The pirate captain made fast to his prize without firing a single shot, and, attributing the vessel's nonresistance to fear or lack of arms, he was the first man to leap on board. But the rope with which the captured ship had been carelessly lashed to his own parted under the strain of the sea-way, and he found himself rapidly borne away from his comrades on what he soon discovered to be a floating coffin. A stiff breeze filled the sails of the dorell, and before his own vessel could overtake it night descended on the ocean, and the pursuing ship lost sight of it altogether.

Woe to the ship that encountered it scudding along by moonlight or in the lightning's glare, manned by skeletons and steered by a shouting, gesticulating madman, and when on several occasions it was sighted in the fog off Medford it was considered as the herald of storm and disaster and the loss of many ships.—New York Press.

Jenny's Quick Method.

Jenny's uncle, who was a school-teacher, met her on the street one beautiful May day and asked her if she was going to the Maypole dance. "No, I ain't going." "Oh, my little dear," said her uncle, "you must not say 'I ain't going.' You must say 'I am not going.'" And he proceeded to give her a little lesson in grammar. "You are not going. He is not going. We are not going. You are not going. They are not going. Now, can you say all that, Jenny?" "Sure, I can," she replied, making a courtesy. "There ain't nobody going." —Ladies' Home Journal.

Jury at the Theater.

An unusual spectacle was witnessed at the Theater Royal, Nelson, Auckland, when the jury, who had been locked up three nights because they could not agree to a verdict in a murder case, were allowed to witness a living picture display. They had expressed a desire to attend the theater as a relief, and the judge consented.—Auckland News.

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