

Our XMAS OFFERINGS

Our stock of Celuloid Goods and Crestware will be offered this week at a great reduction. Everything must go by Xmas.

Nothing would be appreciated more by a lady than a fine Card Case and Purse combined. We are offering an exceptionally fine line of these from 25c to \$2.00.

Handkerchiefs---Everything in this department is a bargain. Nothing but the latest designs are shown on our counters.

Gloves, for evening and street wear, can be found here, from a 4-button to a 30-button length.

We are making a special offer of Japanese Ware in China. The goods will be offered at one-half their original cost.

Japanese Silk in all shades. We make a special price for this week of 35c a yard.

A choice line Figured Drapery Silk from 50c yard.

Special for Gentlemen.

Special drive in Neckwear, in Four-in-hands and Tecks, ranging in price from 50c to \$1.00, will be sold for 50c each.

Fine Neckwear.

We have on display a line of Rufus Waterhouse Co.'s Neckwear, conceded to be the finest in America. See window for display.

Gentlemen's Silk Handkerchiefs, in plain and colored borders; the sweetest thing of the season.

Mufflers in all colors, and a large stock to choose from. Come and inspect them.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

PEASE & MAYS.

The Dalles Daily Chronicle.

TUESDAY, - - - DEC. 22, 1896

Weather Forecast. PORTLAND, Dec. 19, 1896. FOR EASTERN OREGON--Tonight and tomorrow rain and warmer. PAGUE, Observer.

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.

Random Observations and Local Events of Lesser Magnitude.

Professor Martin gives away presents each night to ticket holders, the principle gift being \$5 cash.

A little child of B. F. Miller of Hood River died Sunday morning, and was buried at Hood River yesterday.

Tomorrow and Thursday the ladies of the Good Intent Society will sell pies, cakes and doughnuts, as well as kitchen aprons, at the building formerly occupied by H. Herbring.

We have beautiful blooming plants suitable for Christmas presents. Also choice cut flowers, and chrysanthemums in all colors for Christmas decorations. d22-2t Mrs. A. C. STUBLING & SON.

Great Sachem J. Carr and Great S. S. O. Schuman are in town on an official visit to Wasco Tribe No 16, I. O. R. M. All members of the tribe are requested to attend the council fire tonight punctually at 7:30 p. m.

The South Carolina supreme court recently decided that it is not arson to set fire to one's own dwelling-house, either at common law or under a statute making it arson to set fire to "any house," and the fact that the property is insured makes no difference.

The greatest number of desertions in the department of the Columbia have occurred recently from Fort Spokane, which has only a moderate garrison. General Otis is inclined to the opinion that the reason is that the soldiers have been tempted to run away to the mines in that vicinity.

A Christmas tree will be had in the audience room of the Methodist church Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock. All members and friends of the Sunday school and church are invited to be present and to place any gifts on the tree. All presents should be brought to the church as early as possible Thursday afternoon.

Arrangements are nearly completed for a course of lectures to be given in the Congregational church. The time chosen will be latter than that of last years course and probably will take place in the latter part of January, February and March. The topics are not yet fully known. As soon as they are, the schedule will be published.

The legislature will meet in a few weeks and the stockmen of Eastern Oregon should get a move on towards circulating a petition of that body, asking that it memorialize congress to open the Cascade reserve to the pasturage of stock. If our stockmen expect to accomplish anything, they must work,

and the memorial from the Oregon legislature will have more effect than all the petitions that can be drawn up directly to congress.

Arrangements are completed for taking County Judge Mays to Paso Robles, California, and he will start tomorrow. He has been suffering from an attack of inflammatory rheumatism for nearly three weeks, and though everything possible has been done for him, he gets no relief. It is expected the baths at Paso Robles may soon put him to rights and permit his return.

The preliminary steps are being taken for organizing a company here for the purpose of building a woolen mill. It seems assured that the move will be successful and that in the near future the matter will take definite shape. If the matter meets with the response on the part of our business men, that is anticipated. Work will be begun very shortly and some of next spring's wool clip will be worked up into goods here.

Lots of Fun.

Yesterday the courts were kept busy trying to settle matters between Reid and Puch. It seems Puch had received a lot of ladies underwear for the purpose of selling the same within certain territory. According to Reid's story, Puch left the territory assigned to him, and sold the goods, or part of them, forgetting to pay for them as sold, according to contract. Reid telegraphed here and Nightwatchman Wiley arrested Puch. No warrant coming, Sheriff Driver turned him loose, Reid by this come here and had Puch arrested again. Then Puch turned over the goods to Reid, and Reid dismissed the suit. Then Puch had Reid arrested for false imprisonment, but this was dismissed. The parties are having an awfully jolly time, and what they will do next, no man knows.

A Christmas Stocking.

The Salvation army has hit upon a novel substitute for a Christmas tree--a stocking. Their great annual public Christmas affair will be held on the night of the 25th, next Friday. There will be an excellent program rendered, including songs, recitation, etc., and the opening of the aforesaid stocking by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, the latter, we believe, has never visited The Dalles.

The members of the army have been very busy preparing to supply the wants of the poor families of the town. The bundles made up for them will be given out that night. Meeting begins at 8 o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

Have you any doubts about Schilling's Best

Your grocer pays you back your money in full if you don't like them.

For sale by W. E. Kahler

LAWYER STEEVES IS ACQUITTED

Jury Came to an Agreement Yesterday Forenoon.

Xenophon N. Steeves is a free man. Yesterday at Hillsboro at 10 o'clock the one juror who hung out for conviction capitulated, and a verdict of acquittal was returned to Judge McBride's court.

For over 24 hours the ballot stood eleven for acquittal and one for conviction. Saturday the jury stood ten for acquittal and two for conviction, but yesterday one of the obstinate jurors gave up and sometime Sunday night the twelfth man voted "not guilty" and the jury went to sleep. Monday morning when the bailiff of the court was called he was informed that an agreement had been reached.

Juror Catchings was indisposed from the long confinement. He became so ill Sunday that he had to be taken to a physician.

The great expense of the trial and the time and care expended in trying the case demanded a verdict one way or another, and when the result was announced in Portland general satisfaction was expressed. The Steeves jury was locked up last Friday evening and up to Sunday night it was generally expected there would be a disagreement.

Steeves returned to Portland yesterday evening. He was the recipient of many congratulations from friends on his acquittal. His friends in Portland have been confident of his acquittal throughout, and have resolutely stood by him during the trial.

The expense of the trial at Hillsboro will be borne by Multnomah county, and will be between \$2500 and \$3000. Had a disagreement resulted, the case would never have been tried again.

THE MARIONETTES TONIGHT.

Professor Martin Proves Himself to be a Genuine Wizard.

The sleight of hand work of Martin, the magician, is very smooth, and very interesting. The audience last night was small, owing principally to the fact that no one knew anything about it, until a late hour last evening, but those present were highly and delightfully entertained.

Some of the tricks are old, of course, but Martin does them so neatly that they seem new. His trick of taking a live pigeon from a tiny box, and after letting it flutter for a minute or two picking it up, and with a gentle stroke or two making it apparently dissolve and fade from sight, was a very pretty one and brought forth a storm of applause. There were dozens of other very pretty illusions, but the feature of the evening that caught the little folks was the marionettes. The tiny figures danced, performed and talked in the most natural manner, and one could hardly realize that they were not veritable Lilliputians, come to entertain the little folks with a vision of fairyland.

While Mr. Martin's exhibition is sure to make an impression on the little folks they will never forget, at the same

time it will furnish plenty of amusement for older folks.

DROWNED IN HOOD RIVER.

Carl Wood and W. W. Edgerman Lost in a Small Boat.

An accident costing two men their lives, happened on Hood river, about eight miles from the town yesterday.

The company building the flume and irrigating ditch, is now building a bridge across Hood river for the purpose of bringing the flume across to the west side. This bridge is about eight miles from the mouth of the river, and a couple of miles below the sawmill belonging to Frank Davenport, where lumber for the flume is being cut.

Monday two men, Carl Wood and a man who went by the name of Deitrick, but whose right name is W. W. Edgerman, got in a small boat at the sawmill intending to go down to the bridge. The current in places runs very swift, and in one of these places the boat struck a big bolder and was literally smashed to pieces. The men were whirled under by the current and in a moment were strangled and beyond helping themselves. Seven or eight men working on the flume ran to their assistance, but the current bore the bodies down faster than they could run. Up to last night the bodies had not been recovered.

Carl Woods parents live in Hood River valley, and he was a brother-in-law of Dick Fisher of Mosier.

From the Old Soil.

Colonel Sinnott has a handsome new cane presented him by Colonel Thompson, of Louisville, Ky. The stick is from a blackthorne in Ireland, from which Col. Sinnott, when a boy, used to pluck the berries. Recently Col. Thompson visited Ireland and the old home where Col. Sinnott's ancestors for 700 years have lived, and cut the bit of blackthorne which he has sent the colonel with the latter's name on a silver plate thereon. The stick is largest at the little end, and Col. Sinnott explains this by saying it is an Irish characteristic, Irishmen being noted for their great heads.

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