

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.

THURSDAY, - - - DEC. 24, 1896

Weather Forecast.

PORTLAND, Dec. 24, 1896.
FOR EASTERN OREGON—Tonight and tomorrow, occasional rain and warmer.
PAGE, Observer.

WAYSIDE GLEANINGS.

Random Observations and Local Events of Lesser Magnitude.

There will be a pigeon shoot tomorrow afternoon on the beach.

The Elks will have a social session Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Salvation Army will give its public Christmas entertainment at the barracks tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

The Monmouthshire left Portland yesterday morning, and our young friends, F. W. Wilson and Ed. Wingate will probably take their Christmas dinner at Victoria.

Martin Fagan was found guilty of larceny this morning in Justice Filloon's court, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$25. His offense was the stealing of some wood from Mrs. Alexander.

The many friends of John Crate will be pleased to learn that his condition is much improved and that there is now little, if any, danger of his losing his leg.

That fine jewelry and cabinet case, to be raffled for, will be left at Maier & Benson's store, where numbers can be bought. Raffle at this store when tickets are sold.
ALEX. KORMLI, dec24-3t

Children's Christmas service on Monday evening, Dec. 28. Feast of the Holy Innocents at 7 o'clock, in St. Paul's church, Union street. Parents and friends of the Sunday school are cordially invited to come and join with the children in singing their Christmas carols and sharing their Christmas joys.

The year should not be allowed to pass away before the matter of purchasing a diamond drill is settled. We have the finest coal measures on the coast, and with the indications found in the brewery and the electric light plant wells, it is almost a dead certainty that we have the coal. The cost of testing the matter is so small compared to the possible results that it is the sheerest folly to hesitate in the matter.

Christmas services tomorrow, St. Paul's church, Union street, at 10:30 a. m., with celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and sermon by the pastor. Subject, "No Room for Christ." It is to be hoped that no one will forget the joy sent from heaven, and will come and unite in the angel's song, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Everybody most cordially invited, and a "Merry Christmas to all."

Martin's marionettes and sleight-of-hand performance continues to draw good houses, and his show deserves all

the patronage bestowed on it. It is a first-class entertainment, and 15 cents invested in a ticket for the little folks will give them more genuine pleasure than could be gotten from that sized investment in any other way. Old folks enjoy it, the middle aged laugh at it, and the little folks are unable to express their delight. It is simply immense.

Miss Bee Sterling Breaks Her Arm.

At the Degree of Honor meeting last night, when the lodge adjourned, the strips of carpet around the hall were taken up for the purpose of dancing a few minutes. Miss Bee Sterling was standing on the edge of one of the strips, and the person taking it up giving it a pull, she was thrown down. In falling she put out her hands to break the fall, and the result was the breaking of the small bone of one arm near the wrist. It is a sorrowful Christmas gift, but the young lady takes her misfortune good humoredly, simply remarking to us, "It will get well," to which we add, "We hope speedily."

Beautiful Windows.

Never in the history of The Dalles has there been so many handsomely decorated windows. Our merchants are rivaling each other in beautiful and artistic displays, and the result is, window decorations that are superb. The holiday trade is good, but hardly up to that of the past two years. One reason for this is the enormous amount of money being used in payment for forfeited railroad lands. But in spite of this The Dalles enjoys a better trade, and has more money than any town of its size on the coast.

For a Factory.

Some good, quiet work is being done towards the organization of the company for building a woolen mill, and it looks as though it would materialize. There certainly is no better location for a plant of this kind, for here we have the wool right from first hands, and now that the price of labor has more nearly approached that in the East, there is no reason why we should not manufacture our products for ourselves. It is to be hoped that every one who can, will do something towards the good work.

Foot-Ball.

All members of the foot-ball team are requested to be on hand at the fair grounds tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of having a practice game.

Good food at fair prices is within the reach of everyone.

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Wanted.

A young lady desires housework in family. Apply at this office.

THESE WILL SWEAR OFF.

A Few of the Things that They Will Not Do.

Sheriff Driver will not start his class in "roller skating made easy" until after the holidays. In the meanwhile he is practicing on some fancy movements, which generally are punctuated with a period, otherwise a full stop.

Judge Bradshaw will not behead the turkey for this Christmas dinner, not this year. There are things judicial occupying his attention that prevent; they are things judicially judicial.

Orion Kinnersly will not present another white deer to the Elks, at least until next Christmas. White deer are scarce, and the lodge of Elks too enthusiastically appreciative.

Fred Wilson and Ed Wingate will not hold Christmas eve, 1896, in grateful remembrance, as at this time they are probably making some customary presents to old Neptune at an unknown point along the Washington coast.

Colonel Sinnott will not refuse to explain to the gentle tourist how he escaped from the blood-thirsty Indians in 1492 by crossing the Columbia on the backs of salmon.

No Elk will sing the doxology, at least not until Easter. We are told by one of them that it is against the rules of the order to sing, anyhow, and that's the way they always sing.

The Salvation Army will not do violence to its feelings by connecting music to its noise, and the lassie with a voice like a cracked clarinet with the stops knocked off, will not cease to offend the shuddering air with her vocal gymnastics.

Harry Morse will not extend his forehead any further back. His shirt collar interferes with any further extension of his Bill Nye countenance in that direction.

Fen Batty will not remain single another year, not if our Dalles girls know a good thing when they see it. Fen is eligible and willing, a nice young man without blemish or flaw, and his name will lend beauty to a wedding notice.

Not a Gold Country.

Every day or so we hear someone speculating concerning the gold bearing quartz found in the Mill creek gravel, used in laying the sidewalk at the court house last summer. There seems to be an impression that the quartz came from a ledge some place up Mill creek. While this is possible, it is extremely improbable. We have never been very far up Mill creek, but the country rock is mostly basalt, though we are told there is some gneiss. It is much more probable the quartz is part of a bowlder brought here by the glacial wash, at the same time the big granite bowlders of which there are a few scattered over the hills in this neighborhood, were brought here. The bowlder has decomposed and the small pieces found were parts of it. The rock was exceedingly rich, but the fact that only one piece was found indicates that the supply was exceedingly limited. We have no faith in gold mines

being found in this vicinity, but we do believe we have something much better, and that is an abundance of coal.

A Chance to Homestead.

Senator Mitchell introduced a bill in the senate, on the 14th inst., providing for the extension of the time in which payment might be made on forfeited railroad lands, but congress adjourned Tuesday night without taking any action concerning it. The consequence is that that time expires with the year, Thursday of next week being the last day on which payments can be made. There has been a steady stream of claimants making proof for the last two weeks, not only in the land office, but before the county clerks and United States commissioners. In many cases parties have been unable to get the money to pay for the lands, and have fled homesteads on them. There will be quite a lot of these lands that will become liable to location under the homestead laws, and undoubtedly there will be quite a lot of business in that way for the first month or two of the new year.

No Chronicle Tomorrow.

THE CHRONICLE force will observe Christmas, and hence there will be no paper tomorrow. The force needs a rest, particularly the editor, and owing to the paucity of news, and enforced insertion of soft filling in its columns, the readers will also appreciate a rest. We of course wish you all the very merriest of Christmases, and will try and hustle the same for ourselves.

Do not fail to call on Dr. Lannerberg, the eye specialist, and have your eyes examined free of charge. If you suffer with headache or nervousness you undoubtedly have imperfect vision that, if corrected, will benefit you for life. Office in the Vogt block.

Refrigerator Line.

Attention of shippers is called to the new refrigerator line operated by the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company between Portland, Huntington, Spokane and intermedated points, leaving Portland on train 22, Wednesdays and Saturdays.
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