

**1-4 off Pattern Suits.** Tell your friends about it. Our special sale of Ladies' Pattern Suits at 1/4 off regular price will continue this week.

**Specials in every Dep't.** Buying interesting, convenient and advantageous to you. Money back if goods are not as represented.

## Boys' Clothing.

**Strong Suits for the Boys.**

Every stitch and seam is true and firm. The fabric is strong and of a color that won't soil easily. These suits are put together for the roughest kind of wear. You might pay a dollar or so more for them elsewhere; here they are marked

**\$2.50**



## Boys' Reefer Coats.

They are very handsome and much admired by every one—the boys especially. Some boys will not wear an overcoat; these same boys however will not object to a reefer. Colors are red, black and tan.

**\$3.75, 4.50 and 6.00.**



## Boys' Cape Overcoats....

Yes, we have them. The dependable, satisfactory kind. The kind the least number of boys object to. Because the styles are right; neatly braided around Cape.

**\$2.00 to \$5.00**

# A. M. WILLIAMS & COMPANY.

EASTERN OREGON'S GREATEST DRY GOODS STORE.

We credit every one with common sense—improbable stories never find place under our name in these columns. This week's store news is brimful of good things. We might fill this page with a collection of bargains (?), but a strict rule in this house forbids indiscriminate advertising. There must be some good reason for telling the story of an article here. The price and quality is just as good as you wish to have them. The quantity large enough to supply anyone who might ask.

## NOTE THE THINGS WE SPEAK OF TODAY.



### Ladies' Petticoats

All the new and wanted styles. Made of silk, (plain or changeable) worsteds or yarns. Fine crochet petticoat, made of a fine yarn, in pretty two-color combinations—pink and tan, blue and white, black and red, etc.; made with a specially fitted waistband.

Special prices—40 to 50c.

### Velvet, Silk and Wool Waists

**\$1.50 to 8.00**

### Childrens Jackets.

Artistic creations for the little Misses of 4 to 12. Prices not high when quality is considered. Lot 2265, is a beautiful coat, made of a novelty cloth of excellent wearing quality, handsomely trimmed.

at **\$4.00**

Other styles, plenty of them at \$1.75 and on to \$7.50.



### Infant's Cloaks.

75c to \$1.25.

Real choice ones. Made of cotton eiderdown, in pretty mixtures and fancy patterns, trimmed around collar with white Angora fur.

Our extra buying facilities helped us out again. Ordinarily we would ask from fifty cents to a dollar more for them.

### Infant's Mittens.

Cream white, pair 10c  
Cream, pink or blue 15c  
Pure silk mittens, cream, red or black, 25c  
Children's mittens, black.....10c



### Ladies' Mittens.

Nice warm cozy ones; any style or kind your heart desires.  
**10 cents to \$1.75.**

Ask to see our 50c special silk mitten. They are double knit, pure silk, satin ribbon bow on back.

### Men's Black Clay Suits

**\$8.50**

These suits are sold by our competitors at \$10.00. The material is a Black Clay Worsted, full 20 oz. weight; the style a round cut sack coat. See these before buying elsewhere.

### Portieres.

Pretty hangings add much to the pleasantness of your rooms. Our derby cloth portieres from

**\$1.90 to \$12.00**

offer you all that's new and attractive in this line. Consider these for Xmas giving



Infants All-wool Eiderdown Boucle and Cloth

### Cloaks

Beautifully Trimmed in Braid and Fur \$3 to \$4.50.

**1-4 off on Fancy Silks.** To accommodate the many who were unable to take advantage of our special sale of Fancy Silks last week, we will continue the sale during this entire week. All waist patterns of 5 yard lengths reduced 1/4 in price.

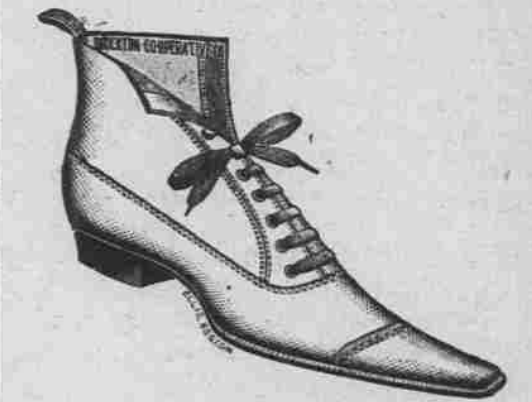
**The place to trade.** Money saving at every turn—on every purchase. Money back—always. If goods are not as represented.

## Notion Department.

You can buy these little things anywhere, but nowhere at such little prices. Note these and remember them:

- Sperm sewing machine oil, per bottle.....4c
- Whisk brooms, each.....5c
- Toilet soap, per cake.....2c
- 1 package non-twist tape, 5 widths.....4c
- Hand brushes, each.....2c
- 1 box black pins.....1c
- 1 dozen curtain pins.....2c
- 1 key ring.....1c
- 1 leather watch chain.....2c
- 1 bottle ink.....2c

## Cut Prices on Shoes....



A clearance sale of odd lines of men's and children's fine shoes is now in progress in our shoe department.

- Men's \$5.50 shoes reduced to.....\$3.60
- Men's \$4.50 shoes reduced to.....2.95
- Men's \$2.50 shoes reduced to.....1.60
- Child's kid shoes, patent tips, worth \$1.99, reduced to.....1.20
- Child's \$1.50, reduced to.....1.05

**A. M. Williams & Co.**

## FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS IN SESSION

Its Opening in Washington Marked By Circumstances of Interest.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE READ

Its Receipt and Appointment of the Usual Committees the Events of the Morning in Both Houses—Senator Simon of Oregon Sworn In and Seated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Congress re-assembled under circumstances of unusual public interest. The same congress six months ago declared war against Spain, and now with the war fought and won, it came together for the first legislative consideration of questions developed by the eventful months just passed. The spirit of the occasion was not, however, one of immediate expectancy, for the few months that are left to the existence of the 56th congress gave promise of little more than the beginning of momentous problems and policies growing out of the war.

Long before the noon hour, when the senate and house began work, the corri-

dors were filled with surging crowds in rotunda and statuary hall, and pushing toward the galleries. By eleven o'clock the leaders began to make their appearances, and the public galleries filled rapidly.

### IN THE SENATE.

Simon Was Seated and the President's Message Was Read.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—In the opening hours of the last session of the memorable 55th congress the senate chamber presented an animated scene. The galleries were filled early, many of the spectators being visitors to Washington, who had embraced the opportunity to witness a congressional opening. On the senate floor the scene presented was unusually brilliant. Morgan of Alabama was the first senator to enter the senate chamber, and closely following him came the octogenarian, Morrill of Vermont. One by one the members dropped into the chamber the floor soon presenting a scene as animated as that offered by the galleries.

The roll call of the senate developed the presence of sixty-seven members.

After the routine business McBride of Oregon presented the credentials of his newly elected colleague, Simon, to whom the vice-president administered the oath of office. Pending the receipt of the president's message, the senate took a recess of thirty minutes.

At 1:25 the committee appointed to wait upon the president reported the performance of its duties and announced that the president would communicate with the senate in writing. Scarcely had the report been made when Pruden entered the chamber and presented the message.

Hobart laid the message before the

## ROYAL Baking Powder

Made from pure cream of tartar.

Safeguards the food against alum.

Alum baking powders are the greatest menaces to health of the present day.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

senate and the reading was commenced at once.

### How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alternative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store. 50 cents per bottle. 5

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton.

## BAD STORMS IN THE EAST

High Winds, Heavy Downpours and Icy Blizzards.

## GALE UNROOFS MANY HOUSES

Pennsylvania Visited by a Deluge of Rain—Heavy Damage Done at Atlanta City.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 4.—The most severe wind and rain storm that has visited Baltimore for many years prevailed today, and did thousands of dollars damage. Sixty miles an hour is the wind velocity given out by the weather bureau, the highest for nineteen years. Fully 800 houses in the city and vicinity were unroofed, chimneys innumerable were blown down, trees uprooted and poles leveled. Telegraph, telephone, electric light and trolley poles were blown down like so many tenpins. Large sections of the city are in darkness tonight, and the telegraph and telephone systems are badly wrecked.

During the night of the hurricane, a large gas-supply tank, at the corner of Scott and Ostend streets, exploded, and created a panic in the neighborhood. No damage was done.

Heavy Rain in Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—A heavy rain

storm, which began yesterday, continued all today with increasing violence, accompanied by winds of almost gale velocity. Shortly before midnight there was a clear sky. At its maximum the wind blew 42 miles an hour. The telegraph wires from this city south were rendered almost useless on account of the heavy winds. Trees, swinging signs and chimneys were blown down, but no great damage is known to have ensued. A few dispatches received at the maritime exchange told of a very severe northeaster prevailing at Delaware breakwater and other points along the New Jersey coast. At many points the tide rose to the highest point it has reached in years. No disasters to vessels have yet been reported.

At Atlanta City great damage was caused to wires, and the city is in comparative darkness tonight. Several private residences on the Meadows were completely surrounded by water, compelling the occupants to use boats in going to and from buildings.

Reports from Eastern Pennsylvania indicate the prevalence of heavy winds and rain, accompanied in some instances by a slight fall of snow.

At Shenandoah, where snow fell, many small buildings on the outskirts blew down. Telegraph communication was also crippled.

In the mining regions of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the snow fall has in some places reached a depth of six inches, with no signs of abatement. Traffic has been seriously impeded.

### For Sale.

The improvements of the fair grounds, fences, tanks, water cart, grand stand, pavilion, stables and sheds. Sealed bids will be received for any part or whole of this property by the undersigned on Dec. 1, 1898, the property to be removed from the grounds by January 1, 1899. Right reserved to refuse any or all bids.

A. S. MACALLISTER,  
P. O. Box 285,  
The Dalles, Ore.

## A GREAT FIRE IN NEW YORK

More Than One Million Dollars Worth of Property on Broadway Destroyed by the Flames.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—In a blinding rain storm tonight the massive block of buildings on Broadway, Nos. 253 to 259, and included between Murray and Warren streets, was almost destroyed by fire. Within three hours more than one million dollars worth of property had been destroyed.

The fire began in the five-story brick building occupied by the men's furnishing firm of Rogers, Peet & Co., on the southwest corner of Broadway and Warren streets.

The estimate of the losses by Chief Bonner after midnight was \$1,000,000 with a probability of a further loss should the fire continue to make anything like rapid progress. At that hour, however, he believed he had the fire about under control within reasonable limits.

At 2 o'clock, however, it was still burning fiercely in front, and although not observable by the thousands of spectators, was burning more fiercely and extended lower down in the rear.

### LOST.

On Friday, Nov., 25th, between Hoering's place on Mill creek, and my residence on Thirteenth street, a No. 12 gauge, breech-loading, double-barrel shotgun. The gun was in a sack; gunstick with it. A liberal reward given to anyone leaving same at CHRONICLE office. W. V. BOLZE.  
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