



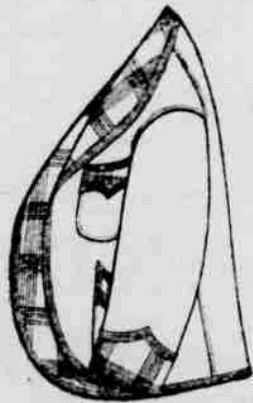
Tell us of a young man who ever at any one time had too many ties.

Ties such as we are showing are always acceptable and especially so at Xmas time.

A splendid assortment today, and nearly a hundred dozen more due here Monday.

25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

Smoking Jackets.



Some call them House Jackets, either is correct. To have the Jacket correct though, you must make sure it comes from us. We sell the Alfred Benjamin line of New York, which is enough by way of argument for those who are posted.

Jackets that make a man come home earlier of an evening, at

\$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50,
\$8.75, \$9.50, \$10.00

Quiet styles, loud patterns and louder ones. But only one of a kind.

Will be busy as bees from now 'till Xmas. Couldn't be otherwise with all these attractions.

Holiday Goods

suitable for old and young, rich and poor, at

A. M. WILLIAMS & CO'S.

The Place

where you can most conveniently do your holiday shopping.

We want everybody's opinion

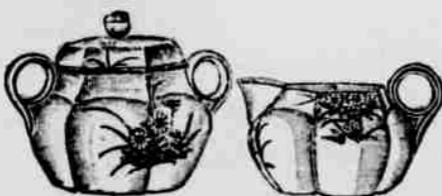
ON THIS SUBJECT.

We've been told that we have the finest collection of gift goods in The Dalles. We believe it—agree perfectly—still would like to have **your** own opinion, personally expressed. People are enthusiastic over the many pretty things displayed throughout our store. Many come again and again to the China counters, the Notion counters, the Fancy Goods counters; where first a piece of china is bought for Aunt Sarah, then a beautiful necktie box for Cousin Frank, or a capacious wallet for Uncle Ben back in the states. Nobody is disappointed here, for we are prepared this season to fill all wants. We have something pleasing for everybody, at prices that suit all purses and make this

THE BEST HOLIDAY SHOPPING PLACE IN TOWN.

Decorated Chinaware;

is to buy them. They are simply irresistible to young housekeepers, and others not so young are equally impressed.



Read these items for Xmas giving:

Cups and Saucers, for after dinner coffees or 5 o'clock teas..... 15c to 50c
Cups and Saucers, full regular sizes, teas and coffees..... 25c to 90c
Sugars and Creamers, for 5 o'clock teas, beautifully decorated in gold and colors, per set..... 29c, 39c, 48, 69, and up to \$2 87
3-piece sets; sugar, creamer and tea-pot, artistic in design and beautifully decorated..... \$2 39, \$2 49, \$2 90 and \$3 69
China Cream Pitchers, beautifully decorated, at..... 95c, \$1.25 and \$1.50
Individual Tea-pots, decorated china, at 48c, 50c, and to \$1.25.



We would like to tell you of the dozens of other pretty things in fancy plates, for fruits, cake, etc.; of the pretty Bon Bon, Olive or Pickle Dishes; of the Mush Sets, Cracker Jars, or Fruit Bowls; those beautiful Opal Glass Water Bottles, Jewel Caskets, Pin Trays, Puff Boxes, which can be had in sets of four or six, or by the single piece; of beautiful Vases, that bring up thoughts of India and Japan, but space forbids, and then it's a whole lot more satisfactory to you to come and see, and plan—and buy, if you want to.

Collar and Cuff Boxes.

If you don't know what else it shall be, consider the advantage of having a nice box in which he can keep his collars and cuffs. It need not be an extravagant one unless you want it to be; we have any number of different styles and at many different prices.



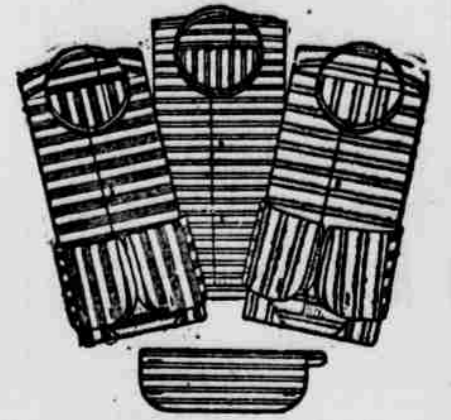
In-celluloid, white embossed, at 69 cents; with panel picture on the top, plaited satin lining, special place for cuffs, \$1.25; and others to \$2.50. Made in Japan; collar and cuff boxes of highly polished black enameled wood, circular shape, gold decorations on lid, 79 cts.

Albums.

We want to impress, and that deeply, on everyone's mind that we sell Albums—that we have Albums cheap and costly—that anyone wanting an Album will save time any money by coming here. White Celluloid Album, embossed cover, plush covered back and corners, gilt edges, nickel-wire fastener, will hold twenty 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 pictures, price 25 cents.



Other styles, full regular sizes, in a number of pretty bindings, at prices to \$6.40.



Fancy Shirts for Xmas Gifts.

The same young man who never has too many neckties is also very partial to a handsome shirt, such as we are known to sell.

Some styles are particularly appropriate for the season. These "swell" stripes in the new shades of red, blue and helio.

\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Bath Robes.

Have you seen our Bath Robes? If not, possibly a solution to the "what shall I give him for Xmas?" problem has been found. We think there never were Bath Robes quite as soft, as pretty, as generous in length, in fact as perfect as those we are showing this season.

\$5 to \$10.00.

Fancy Vests,

arrived six weeks late. Result, a larger assortment of nobby styles for holiday picking than we would have had otherwise, and the pre-eminence of being the only house in town that can offer variety.

Dark silk and worsted vestings, with small, bright colored pin-head or figure.

Dark worsteds with bright plaids.

Nobby golf plaids in pretty tan effects.

\$2.50 to \$10.00.

AGUINALDO'S BODY GUARD DESTROYED

The Chief Flees in Disguise—Released Two Thousand Prisoners.

REBELS FORCES ARE SCATTERED

MacArthur Has Captured Mabini, Ablest of Insurgents—Only Four Killed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 13.—General Otis had some stirring news to report today from Manila, his advices going to show that the insurgents are, as he predicted a few days ago, at the end of their resources, from a military point of view, and are running away before the rapid advance of the American troops at all points. His cablegrams were as follows: "Manila.—Fifty men of the navy and fifty men of the army transported by the navy, took Laoga on the 10th inst. General Young, with his staff, followed the next day. He reports that Howe, with the Pennsylvania battalion of the Thirty-fourth infantry, followed by a portion of the Thirty-third infantry passed north to Pidding, east of Laoga. Marsh's battalion of the Thirty-fourth was at Cavan, province of Lepanto, on the 7th inst. The Third cavalry was

along the coast and in the mountains pursuing the enemy.

"Young states that his extreme northern force passed over the mountains, driving the insurgents, under General Tino, who was badly wounded, killing fifty and wounding many. He made large captures of rifles and property, with all insurgent transportation and released all the Spanish prisoners in that section to the number of about 2000. Our casualties were two wounded. Our troops are pursuing the remnant of Tino's command.

"Marsh's battalion reports from Cayan, Lepanto province, on the 7th inst., that he has destroyed Aguinaldo's bodyguard, killed General Gregorio Pilar, received the surrender of General Concepcion and staff, killed and wounded fifty-two insurgents, released 575 Spanish prisoners, including 150 friars, and captured considerable property. His loss was two killed and nine wounded. My information is that Aguinaldo has disguised his individually, abandoned his troops and is hiding in the province of Benguet."

Otis' second dispatch is as follows:

"Manila.—Admiral Watson informs me that the province of Cayan surrendered unconditionally to Captain McCalla, of the Newark, on the 11th inst. All arms were surrendered. Major Batchelder is ninety miles south of Appari, and the command is in good condition. The navy will take supplies to Batchelder. The surrender doubtless includes the province of Isabela.

"General Bates, at Zamboango, reports affairs there as satisfactory. Nearly all rifled have been surrendered. MacArthur, at Bayombong, reports that he holds a prisoner of war, Mabini, the ablest of insurgents and founder of the late government."

BRITISH AGAIN SUFFER DEFEAT

Methuen Attacked 12,000 Boers Monday—Too Strong for Him.

HE REPORTS GREAT LOSSES

Over 300 British Wounded Have Been Sent to Modder River—Boers Maintained all Positions and Captured Forty-One Prisoners.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The war office received the following dispatch from General Methuen, dated Tuesday, Dec. 12:

"Our artillery shelled a very strong position held by the enemy in a long high kopje, from four until dusk Sunday. It rained hard last night. The Highland brigade attacked at daybreak on Monday the south end of the kopje. The attack was properly timed, but failed. The guards were ordered to protect the Highlanders' right and rear, cavalry and mounted infantry, with a howitzer artillery. They shelled the position from daybreak and at 1:15 I sent the Gordons to the entrenchments until dusk, the position extending, including the kopje, for a distance of six miles to

Modder river. Today I am holding my position and entrenching myself. I had to face at least 12,000 men. Our loss was great."

ORANGE RIVER, Cape Colony, Dec. 13.—Three hundred and twenty British wounded, including twenty-seven officers, have arrived here from Modder river.

PRETORIA, Monday, Dec. 12.—Official reports say: "The battle at Modder river began yesterday with cannon firing and heavy fighting proceeding from 3:30 a. m. until 9:30 with cannon, Maxim and rifles. The bombardment began at 4:30 o'clock, and the fighting still continues. A balloon has just arisen above the British positions, where it remained 10 minutes and descended. There were heavy rains during the night. At 9 this morning a dispatch rider brought word that all Boer positions have been maintained and that forty-one British prisoners have been taken.

"At 9:30 it was reported the heavy cannon fire had somewhat abated. British are constantly using their balloon. Fighting was still going on at noon. Kimberley is still quiet."

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnston of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and paining me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

Winter Storms Begin. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Terrific gales were

reported from various parts on the Great Lakes today and fear is felt for the safety of a fleet of steamers which left the Straits of Mackinac last night headed into Lake Michigan. Between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning the gale broke. The wind gauge registered 54 miles per hour. Boats everywhere are reported in or seeking shelter.

CHIPPewa FALLS, Wis., Dec. 12.—Last night's snow storm has rendered the wagon roads impassable. Drifts are four to five feet deep. On three roads coming into Chippewa Falls, only one train arrived up to 11 o'clock this morning. In the city, the snow had drifted in some places four feet deep.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Dec. 12.—One of the worst snow storms seen here for several years started Sunday and continued until this morning. Trains on all the railroads entering this city are delayed. Street-car traffic is blocked and telegraph and telephone wires are down.

Played Out. Dull headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Blakeley & Houghton's drug store.

Edward Bates Dead.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Edward Bates, librarian of the treasury department at Washington, is dead, at the home of his father, Dr. Julian Bates, of this city.

Mr. Bates was about twenty-five years old, and, prior to his appointment last summer as librarian of the treasury department, was curator in the public library of St. Louis.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo O. Sold by druggists, price 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best. 12

Prosperity in Morrow County. HEPPNER, Or., Dec. 12.—No snow of consequence has yet fallen in Morrow county. Grain and grass never looked better at this season than it does now. Stock of all kinds is in the best possible condition.

Politics is beginning to be discussed and applicants for the various county offices are getting in the field. It is almost a certainty that the populists will not nominate a ticket next spring. The high price for wool and sheep; also hogs and cattle, and the prosperous times that apparently have come to stay, under the accursed gold standard, have completely demoralized the populists of Morrow county.