

You'll Have To Hurry

If you expect to make your selection of Xmas Presents from our Stock, as they are going like "Hot Cakes," and at the present rate will soon be sold.

We are offering Special Inducements on all remaining stock. Call and see what we offer.

Brock & McComas Co.
Druggists.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1902.

Let us hope that one day mankind will be happy and wise and though this day never should dawn, to have hoped for it cannot be wrong.—Masterlinck.

WANT IN A LAND OF PLENTY.

Within the past week the public has witnessed numerous riots, at different points in the United States, in which the cry of the mob was "coal, coal, coal."

At Boston, the crowds of poor, driven to desperation by the biting winds of winter, trampled the salesman and policemen, pushed the guards aside, who were hurriedly summoned to protect private property, and taking possession of the coal bins, helped themselves to fuel.

On last Saturday, in the Western city of St. Paul, a crowd rushed into the offices of the Northwestern Coal Company, beat a clerk almost to death and frantically fought with each other for the purchase of a few tons of coal.

Winter has brought on the climax in the coal situation. The scarcity was not felt so long as the wind was "tempered to the shorn lamb" of the tenement house.

But now that the bitter cold is plucking the thinly-clad denizens of the great cities, the cry of want goes out to the world.

There is a lesson in the situation which should cause the country, and especially the owners of the earth's store of fuel, to blush for shame.

The coal operators are wealthy; they did not need the profits they were losing by the strike; they could well afford to let it drag on for months, for they well knew the great shortage occasioned by the six months of idleness, would only add five-fold to their dividends. Want cannot reach them. Their own comfort is the breadth and depth and height of all their considerations.

The suffering caused by the want of fuel can be smilingly placed to the credit of the miner, who refused to work.

The self-complacent operators, with the world's wealth, so much needed

by the masses, so valuable to the country at large, clenched in the hollow of their hands, care not for innocent childhood—even though it suffer, and cry for relief and perish in its utter helplessness.

There is an area of coal in the United States, sufficient to warm the firesides of the nation for centuries. It belongs to the public. It is public utility, which should be used for the public good. How utterly undemocratic, how vainly and unreasonably wasteful and detrimental to allow the coal barons to make a toy and a plaything of the priceless treasure of 80,000,000 people.

COMPARATIVE CUSSINESS.

In the midst of the moral crusade now being carried on in Pacific Coast cities, it is an interesting study to look into the statistics of crime, and determine from figures and facts just how wicked the great cities really are.

From a bulletin of the department of labor, usually very dry reading, some unusually juicy facts are gathered. For the year 1901, the criminal statistics of Portland, Seattle and Atlanta, Ga., are as follows: Number of policemen, Portland, 53; Seattle, 78; Atlanta, 161. Number of retail saloons, Portland, 267; Seattle, 187; Atlanta, 104; amount of license, Portland, 400; Seattle, \$600; Atlanta, \$1000. Cases of drunkenness, Portland, 908; Seattle, 1186; Atlanta, 4242. Disturbing the peace, Portland, 192; Seattle, 1888; Atlanta, 7063. Assault and battery, Portland, 213; Seattle, 218; Atlanta, 22. Homicide, Portland, 2; Seattle, 6; Atlanta, 1. Vagrancy, Portland 197; Seattle, 936; Atlanta, 2190. Housebreaking, Portland, 24; Seattle, 68; Atlanta, 68. Larceny, Portland, 301; Seattle, 342; Atlanta, 302. All other offenses, Portland, 1509; Seattle, 4536; Atlanta, 1742. Total arrests, Portland, 3364; Seattle, 9175; Atlanta, 15,637.

The total arrests made in Portland for the year was a trifle over one-third the total for Seattle, and but one-fifth the number for Atlanta.

After all, Oregon's metropolis is not so utterly wicked. Conditions now agitating the city of Portland are found in every large city in the country. While much excitement and many dramatic situations have accompanied the raiding of Portland's dens of iniquity, far worse social

conditions are found in Southern cities, where the large negro population accelerates the list of offenses.

DRIVEN AWAY FROM RELIGION.

The churches cry out against the public, for its lack of religion. They say attendance at services is falling off. They say the general tone of the average home is losing in religious color.

It is not far from the question to the answer. It is only a step from the condition to its cause.

The fruit lies near the tree that bore it.

In the first place, the public—the pulpit and laymen included—encourage a disregard for the Sabbath day, by going on its errands, insisting on its mail, express and newspapers on Sunday as on week days.

In order to satisfy the public—pulpit and laymen included—the great competitive industries require workmen to labor on Sunday as on other days to meet the demands of their patrons. The result is a disregard for religion, the Sabbath and its sacred surroundings and intent to breed and cultivate.

Workmen driven by the fierce demands of employers, labor day, night and Sunday to hold their jobs.

The support of a family depends upon their wage, and their wage and position depends upon their faithfulness.

So the man who would willingly attend church, with his family, who would gladly observe a day of rest at his public home, is a slave to the his humble home, is a slave to the fiction which forces morality down to its narrow, mercenary mould and gives worldliness the reign.

Let the public, the pulpit, the laymen, the press, the women's clubs and every agency in the land ask for Sunday rest for the laborer.

Let them quit travelling on Sunday, quit asking for mail on Sunday, quit demanding the soulless corporations to hurry freight on Sunday and by a determined, studied effort, discourage the slavery that knows no rest.

Church attendance will increase, enlightenment and happiness will increase as the heavy cross of necessity is lifted from the shoulders of labor.

THE COUNTY PRESS.

The people of Umatilla county have cause to be proud of the progressive country press which is fighting the battles of progress.

Hard-working, hard-hitting, aggressive, appreciative of their hearty support and throbbing with vigorous aim and purpose, the list of exchanges that comes from Umatilla county to the office of the East Oregonian is in every way thoroughly representative of the sterling qualities of the people they live to serve.

The press is the mirror of the nation and the neighborhood. The tastes, the aims, the likes and dislikes of the people creep into and color the columns of the newspaper they read and support.

Between the lines and in the lines of the county newspapers may be read a prophecy of the future of this county. United for its good, harmonious and aggressive, the towns and newspapers of the county can make its record one at which we well may marvel.

The master hand of James J. Hill is being felt in the distribution of the transport service. Seattle is Hill's city. His great road ends there and his line of ocean steamers begin there and he will be the same conquering hero on sea that he has proved to be on land. It is Hill who is back of Seattle's bid, and it is Hill who has a finger on the wavering pulse of the war department. With such a captain to lead, Portland would outstrip every city west of Chicago.

Tom Johnson's "tax education bureau" has been declared unconstitutional. It is illegal for the common people to study government.

JUDGING A HUSBAND.

Don't marry a man till you have seen him sharpen a pencil. You can tell by the way he does it whether he is suited to you or not. Here are a few infallible rules for your guidance in the matter:

The man who holds the point toward him and close up against his shirt front is slow and likes to have secrets. He is the kind of man who, when his best girl finds out that there are "others" and asks him who they are and what he means by calling on them, will assume an air of dignity and cut her off with some evasive answer which says quite plainly, "Yes, I called; but its none of your business who she is or why I did it." A woman with a jealous disposition should look out for the man who sharpens his pencil in this manner and shun him.

The man who holds the pencil out and whittles away, careless of results, is an impulsive fellow, jolly, good-natured and generous.

He who leaves a blunt point is dull and plodding, and will never amount to much. He is really a good-hearted fellow, and hasn't an enemy in the world. He finds his chief pleasure in the commonplace things of life.

On the other hand, he who sharpens his pencil an inch or more from the point is high strung and imaginative and subject to exuberant flights of fancy. He will always be seeking to mount upward and accomplish things in the higher regions of business and arts, and his wife's greatest trouble will be to hold him down to earth and prevent his flying off altogether on a tangent.

The man who sharpens his pencil all round smoothly and evenly as though it were planned off in an automatic sharpener is systematic and slow to anger. But he is so very undeviating from a fixed principle that he would drive a woman with a sensitive temperament to distraction in less than six months.

He who leaves the sharpened wood as jagged as saw teeth round the top has a nasty temper and will want to quarrel on the slightest provocation. There are certain women who can manage that sort of man beautifully, though, and if he gets a wife with a calm, persuasive eye he will in a few minutes be as meek as a lamb.

The man who doesn't stop to polish the point of lead once the wood is cut away has a streak of coarseness in his nature. He who shaves off the lead till the point is like a needle is refined, delicate and sensitive.—New York American.

ARE WOMEN HAPPIER?

Only a few selfish men answer this question in the affirmative; the majority of folks think it is the stronger sex who are the happier.

Facts in support of this contention could be rolled out until one became dizzy by their number.

How often a woman exclaims, "I wish I were a man!" But one never hears a man desire to be one of the opposite sex. This circumstance alone clearly reveals man's happier state.

From early childhood to her dying day is a daughter of Eve heavily handicapped as a man is not.

She is made to feel that she is an inferior person to the other sex from the first, and to an independent, ambitious, or sensitive spirit unhappiness must be frequent.

When a boy leaves school he has the choice of countless occupations, but a girl is limited to a very few, none of which may suit her tastes. Work, therefore, is more of a drudgery to her than man.

Again, a lad can hope to make a fortune by perseverance and pluck, but it is impossible, except in a very few instances, for a girl to obtain an insight into commercial life sufficiently to allow her to build up even what is known as a comfortable business.

Besides, an unmarried girl who exhibits too much "pluck and perseverance" runs the risk of being considered mannish or fast, and for her reputation's sake she places a curb upon her ambition at the expense of her happiness.

At the age of 20 the average woman has only the choice of two ways of life open to her. One is to go on earning her living and becoming an old maid, the shunned of both young and old, and the other to become the wife of a man who may, or may not, be an ideal companion.

The majority choose the latter career but their wishes in this respect are not so easy of attainment as a man's. The latter sex has not only the greater number of candidates to select from, but a man can propose to any number of girls till he is successful in his quest.

On the other hand, a girl may be very fond of a particular man, but through sheer modesty, dare not tell him so, and the unhappiness attending such a position has to be endured to be understood.

The lot of a plain girl of marriageable age—and there are many—is not to be coveted.

Strange though it seems, it is nevertheless true, that the majority accept

the attentions of the first man who comes along, and do not give other chances. There are many unhappy marriages.—World.

STAY IN THE COUNTRY.

The constant influx of people into the country into large cities with its portentous dangers of wages, a better wardrobe, congenial companions, and the vision of city success, hoping perhaps to find a more comfortable city home, (the farm of village and metropolis.

Here many of these settlements are far different from the actual experience of the city. Wages they get are small, lodgings far from comfortable, have no home life, the temptations and trade which becomes one of hardship in the store, factors which they are beset with annoyances, while all the pitfalls spread for them.

Some of them, however, find for stenographic, kindred occupations, and executive gifts, make a top and secure themselves a great multitude, starve on five or six dollars. This latter class are not any money; a week's them in debt, and a week's employment renders them charity.

How much better would most of them were the home, help in the household, such work as might be done on the farm or in the village. Cities now contain thousands in a sorry plight, either employment or struggling to find comfort at home, or who found work of some sort to town to support their families of strength, nerve power forced—to say nothing of the which now beset them. What a kindness it would be and who are helplessly rushing cityward "to find some" if some friend would tell them, "Stay on the farm."

A. B. Johnson, wanted for in Malheur county, has been at Ukiah, Cal.

GREAT SALE OF Christmas Goods

This is the time to buy your Christmas presents for your friends, and at no place will find the assortment so good nor the prices so low as at THE FAIR. We have nearly everything anybody needs, and now our stock is complete, so we urge you to come at once and select what you want. We have all kinds of toys, dolls, doll carriages, toilet cases, work boxes, moving toys of all kinds and books for all ages.

SPECIAL FURNISHINGS FOR PRESENTS

LADIES wool opera capes, head shawls, silk mittens, ice wool and silk fascinator prices, silk waists, handkerchiefs, perfumes and toilet articles, jewelry and purses, furs of all styles.

GENTLEMEN'S initial handkerchiefs, neckties, gloves, mufflers of all colors, jewelry kinds, fancy pen knives, etc.

SPECIAL PRICES ON CLOTHING

We will give a special discount of 10 per cent on all boys and mens suits and overcoats till Christmas day. Ten per cent off of FAIR STORE prices makes your clothing cost you about 20 to 30 per cent less than at other stores in Pendleton.

OVERSHOES AND RUBBERS

Our stock is complete and the very best to be bought, and prices are far below our competitors on the same grade goods. Mens overshoes, \$1.10; womens overshoes, 85c; misses overshoes, 55c and 60c; mens Alaska defenders, 80c; womens Alaska defenders, 60c and 65c; misses Alaska defenders, 38c and 50c; mens rubbers for German socks and felt boots, \$2, \$1.65 and \$1.35.

All the above prices are on new goods and not old stock, and we guarantee our rubbers give satisfaction or refund your money.

THE FAIR THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

A FEW MORE DAYS, THEN CHRISTMAS

If you have not already secured your presents we take the liberty of reminding you that it is a bad policy to wait until the last moment before making your purchase. We have so many pretty things show you that it is best to take your time and avoid the crowding that usually takes place during the last few days of the holiday season. We call your attention to a few of the many lines we carry:

DIAMONDS

Mounted and unmounted. The largest collection of the finest gems that has ever been shown in one stock in Pendleton.

ART GOODS

Under this head we are showing so many pretty things that it will be impossible for us to enumerate them.

CUT GLASS

The finest and best collection to select from. All the new designs. Rare beauties. Are sole agents for the Hawkes' world-renowned Cut Glass. A guarantee in itself of the excellence of this display.

WATCHES

In bewildering profusion. In solid gold, gold filled and silver. Something to please all desires. Grade high prices low.

TOILET SETS

In ebony and solid silver. To see them is to make up your mind what to get for a gift.

OPERA GLASSES

It will pay you to look at our stock before purchasing.

L. HUNZIKER,
Diamond Merchant, Jeweler and Optician.
The largest store of its kind in Pendleton.

Largest and best stock of its kind in Pendleton.

L. HUNZIKER,
Diamond Merchant, Jeweler and Optician.
Main Street

Goods Held for Responsible Parties.

Remember the \$100.00 Prize We Give Away.