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A. C. Giger, the senior member of the firm, was born in Illinois in 1865. He commenced his business career at the age of 17, and has held a number of responsible positions. He came to The Dalles in June, 1889, and for a short time was connected with Funk Bros., whose business he and Mr. French bought in November of that year.

Frank A. French is virtually a native of The Dalles, having lived here since he was four years of age. His business experience has been gained in the employ of McFarland & French, and The Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation Company. His present disposition has made him one of the most popular young men residing here, and he is universally looked upon as a prince of good fellows.