



Grand Reduction Sale



Beginning Saturday, Dec. 28th, we will place on sale an immense line of merchandise at astonishingly low prices. We do this in order to reduce our stock before taking our annual invoice Feb. 1st, and every one is invited to call and avail themselves of this opportunity to procure bargains.

We also take this opportunity to express to one and all our appreciation of their liberal patronage during the past year and solicit the same in the future. We assure you that we will do our utmost to merit your good will, and endeavor to serve you faithfully.

Wishing all a prosperous and happy New Year, we are

Respectfully yours,

E. M. & M. CO.

THE WORLD'S NEWS

FROM FAR & NEAR

Clipped From Our Exchanges.

Portland had a \$100,000 blaze Sunday.

The Park Avenue hotel of New York burned last Saturday. Nineteen people perished in the flames.

Prince Henry safely arrived at New York Sunday, receiving the greatest ovation ever before tendered a foreign visitor.

The worst storms since 1888 have been sweeping over the Atlantic and Middle states the past week, while Oregon people are basking in the sunshine of spring.

Senators Tillman and McLaurin, of South Carolina, came to blows on the floor of the senate Saturday. The trouble arose over the debate on the Philippine question.

Congressman Moody this week sent his constituents in this vicinity a bushel or more garden seeds. It is requested by the Agricultural department that these seeds be tested and a report made as to their adaptability to the locality to which they are sent.

Miss Stone is at last free and everybody can now rejoice. Miss Stone can rejoice in her freedom, the brigands, in their successful confidence game to bleed the missionary cause for \$100,000, and the American people, to know they will be no longer punished by being compelled to read more about the episode.

An Oklahoma paper tells of a farmer who went to town and thought he would treat himself by attending an opera. He went to the ticket office and plunked down a \$5 gold piece and asked for a good seat. The show was the "Forty Thieves." The ticket agent shoved out a ticket and a dollar in change. Picking up the dollar the farmer started out of the building. "Hold on!" called the ticket seller, "you've forgotten your ticket." Keep it, dern yer," replied the farmer. "I don't care to see the other thirty-nine."

A child swallowed a round whistle about the size of a quarter dollar. A neighbor who dropped in advised the mother to give him the unbeatens white of an egg, telling her it would form around the object, which would be carried off through the bowels. This proved true. The same mother afterwards had a bristle from her tooth lodge in her throat, causing annoyance and irritation. After trying in various ways to dislodge it she thought of the white of egg and in a little while the offending bristle had disappeared.—Good Housekeeping.

The Agricultural Department at Washington has issued a statement of the number and value of horses exported from the past six years. That this branch of industry is developing and increasing is shown by the following statistics: "In 1896, the value of the horses exported from this country was about \$3,500,000; in 1897, \$5,750,000; in 1898, \$6,000,000; in 1899, \$5,800,000, and in 1900, \$7,500,000. During the fiscal year ended June 30 last, upwards of 64,722 horses were sent from our shores. For the twelve months previous the figures were 45,778; for 1898, 61,150; for 1897, 30,532; and for 1896, 25,126. The total for these five seasons is therefore nearly a quarter of a million horses and the aggregate price received around \$27,000,000—a tremendous sum of money. It is estimated that the exports of 1901 will bring the total up to \$35,000,000.

The marriage of the largest man and woman in the United States if not in the world will take place at Helena, Montana, within the next few weeks. The contracting parties will be Miss Ella Murray, of Missouri, who is eight feet and one inch tall to Edward Beaupre, of Montana, who is eight feet in height. Miss Murray's father has been trying for some time

to get someone to marry his daughter offering a home and liberal expense money. Beaupre is twenty-one years old and has never been out of the state. He wears No. 22 shoes and has never had a glove on his hands.

A New Lodge Organized.

A Rebecca Lodge was organized in this city Saturday evening, February 22, 1902, by the District Deputy, Mrs. Emma Hardin, of La Grande. The lodge promises to be a strong organization, having begun with over sixty members.

The following is a list of the officers selected:

Tillie B. Zurcher	Noble Grand
Emma Brusha	Vice Grand
Alice Green	Rec. Secretary
L. Green	Financial Sec.
Fanny Root	Treasurer
Zilphia Funk	Chaplain
Ada E. Roe	Warden
Ida M. Funk	Conductor.
D. Brusha	R. Support to N. G.
Helena DeVore	L. " " "
Estella W. Temple R.	" " V. G.
Bertie Roe	L. " " "
Rachael Ratcliff	Inside Guardian
I. N. Pitzer	Outside " "

Populists Disband.

At the County Central Committee meeting held Wednesday it was unanimously decided by those in attendance that the Populist party of Wallowa county be disbanded, and it was recommended by resolution that all members of the deceased party go into the Democratic party. As the Democratic party held their central committee meeting at the same time, an invitation was extended to the Populists to join them, which was duly accepted.

About one hundred Democrats and Populists mingled together in the meeting. After the committee set the dates for the primaries and convention which are March 29 and April 2 respectively, speech making was indulged by several local orators.

It was given out by some of the leaders of the party, that notwithstanding the party is about one hundred in the minority in Wallowa county, that by reason of the harmony and good feeling prevailing they anticipate a complete victory in the coming county election.

Killed by an Officer.

Jahner Jacobson was shot and killed Sunday night in La Grande, by Earl Jones, the night policeman, who was attempting to place him under arrest. Jacobson had been drinking and using very abusive language on the streets, and after resisting arrest, procured a gun, and when he again met the policeman both began firing.

About eight shots were fired, three of them taking effect on Jacobson and from which he died in about two hours after. The officer escaped unhurt.

Jacobson was employed in a meat market, and was from The Dalles. At the coroners inquest Jones was exonerated from all blame.

Postal Ruling is Changed.

Owing to pressure, the postoffice department has changed a recent ruling which prohibited under penalty of first class postage a written description of the contents on wrapper or covers of third-class matter.

Hereafter a written designation of contents, such as "book," "printed matter" or "photo," will be permissible "inscription" upon mail matter of the third class under the clause of the act which provides for the placing upon the blank leaves or cover of any book or printed matter of the third-class of a simple manuscript dedication or inscription not in the nature of a personal correspondence.

Committee Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Republican County Central Committee at Enterprise, Oregon, on Monday, March 3,

1902, for the purpose of setting the date for the precinct primaries and county convention, and for such other business as may come before the meeting.

CARL ROE, Secretary.
JOHN McDONALD, Chairman.

Obituary.

Henry Oscar Cramer, eldest child of Sarah and Hiram C. Cramer, was born in Cedar county, Missouri, November 2, 1878, and died at the home of his parents in Enterprise, Oregon the 20th day of February, 1902, aged 23 years, 3 months and 18 days.

Oscar, with his parents, lived in their Missouri home until the year 1889, when they came to Montana where they lived for about two years. They then removed to Oregon coming to Wallowa valley in October, 1885 where he has resided until the angel of Death bade him to his eternal home.

Three brothers, seven sisters and a loving father and mother are left to grieve for him. This dear one never knew the bounding health of childhood, or the vigorous strength of manhood, having been ailing from his infancy, and especially have the last four years of his life been full of suffering. The frailty of constitution coupled with the cheerful patience and sweetness of disposition ever manifested throughout his many attacks of disease and pain served to bind to him in fondest affection the hearts of parents, brothers, sisters and friends. His life was clean, manly and upright in every respect, possessing no bad habits whatever. What nobler legacy, what more precious memory can a son leave enshrined in the hearts of parents than the following testimony from their loving lips: "Never in Oscar's life have we heard him utter one profane word. Never has he by word or deed, set an example that would be harmful for the younger children to copy."

A few days before his death he expressed to the tender mother who ministered to him, his readiness to go when God should call, and his desire to be at rest from the pain and weariness of this mortal body.

Sadly and with aching hearts we lay to rest this loved form, but the noble spirit which crowned the life we loved, has gone home to Him who gave it, there to wait and welcome one by one, the dear ones left on earth.

Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of Enterprise Lodge No. 153, I. O. O. F. held Feb. 21, 1902, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the great Architect of the universe to remove from our midst, our late brother Henry O. Cramer;

And whereas, it is but just that a fitting recognition of his many virtues should be had;

Therefore be it resolved, by Enterprise Lodge No. 153 on the registry of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, that while we bow with submission to the will of the most High, we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been taken from us.

Resolved, that in the death of Henry O. Cramer, this lodge laments the loss of a brother who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid, and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed of the Fraternity; an active member of this society, whose utmost endeavors were exerted for its welfare and prosperity; a friend and companion who was dear to us all; a citizen whose upright and noble life was a standard of emulation to his fellows.

Resolved, that the heartfelt sympathy of the Lodge be extended to his parents in their affliction.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Lodge, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the parents of our deceased brother, and to the Chief of Enterprise.

Com. J. W. RANKIN,
JOHN ROOT,
J. F. JOHNSON.

"Stuffing a Cold."

The man who originated the oft-quoted maxim, "stuff a cold and starve a fever," either did not understand what he was talking about, or he has been widely misunderstood, to the great injury of multitudes who have acted upon the absurd maxim. Presuming that the author of it was a physician who knew something of the nature of colds and the action of remedies, he must have spoken subjugatively and not imperatively, and then it would read thus: "If you stuff a cold the consequences will be that you will be thrown into a fever as a result of the stuffing treatment of the cold, and then you will have to starve the fever." This is a true and sensible interpretation of this commonly received maxim, which has done as much harm as any of the thousand and one popular errors which prevail on medical subjects.

Without dwelling on the nature or causes of colds or on what physicians call pathology of these disorders, we will say that low or even starvation diet for a few days, with the free drinking of warm, mildly stimulating tea, is better for a cold than any drug or combination of drugs.—Ex.

Additional Locals.

R. A. Shinn, the prosperous hog raiser of Hurricane creek, was doing business at the capital today.

Thos. Russell, the Loring livey-mun, is in the city today.

T. R. Akin returned Tuesday from a trip to the mines.

J. W. Nedrow was in from Grande Ronde river this week on a business trip.

MARRIED:—Feb. 20, 1902, Mr. Logan McCormick and Miss Anna Murray, both of Alder Slope. Rev. Samson officiated.

Tourist's Excursion to the East.

The traveling public will be interested to learn of the system of personally conducted excursion cars operated over the Rio Grande System, popularly known as "The Scenic Line of the World." They are the Regular Pullman tourists or "ordinary" sleepers, provided with comfortable berths, bedding and linen of the Pullman standard. They have separate lavatories, and are all well lighted and heated and, in fact, are a most successful substitute for the more expensive "standard" sleepers, the difference arising from the character of upholstery furnished. A colored porter is in attendance with every car and besides him an excursion conductor, whose sole duty is to look after the pleasure and comfort of passengers in his charge.

These cars are run through to Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis and Chicago, making close connections for Boston, New York and all eastern points.

This feature of travel has become so popular that there is now established a regular service of nine cars each week, offering a variety of routes, and schedules so arranged that stop-overs may be made, if desired, at Salt Lake City, Denver, or any point between.

No extra charge is made beyond regular tourist rates.

To those interested will be glad to quote the lowest fares and furnish full information about the scenic beauties of the Rio Grande Route and its superior accommodations.

J. D. MANSER, Gen'l Ag't.,
124 Third Street,
Portland, Oregon.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Alder Slope Ditch Co. will receive bids for the construction of a water ditch of the following dimensions:

Six miles or any part thereof 20 feet on top and 16 feet on bottom with uniform depth of 2 feet and about one and one-fourth of enlargement of the Hurricane Creek Ditch to the following dimensions:—22 feet on top and 16 feet on bottom with uniform depth of 3 feet. Bids will be considered by the road or by the mile and the said company reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

JOHN RAIN, Secretary,
Alder Slope Ditch Company,
Enterprise, Oregon.