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## Christmas Styles



In Overcoats of the finest quality and best make may be seen in profusion among the myriad of garments we are offering in **Men's and Boys' Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Trunks, Valises, etc.**

From 16 1/2 to 33 1/2 per cent less than elsewhere.

**SPECIALLY FOR CHRISTMAS**—Fancy Silk and Initial Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Gloves, Hosiery, Jewellery, etc.

**The Osgood Mercantile Co.**

The One Price Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers  
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Many new and inexpensive articles suitable for Christmas.

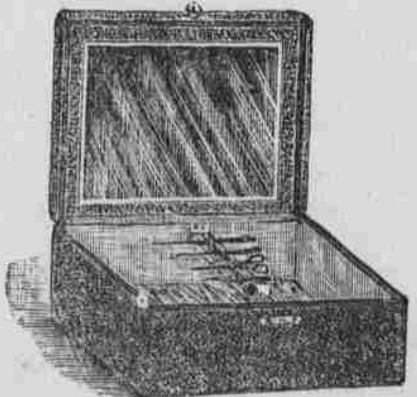
For Him.

Smokers Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Sets, Traveling Cases, Razor Cases, Cigar Cases, all styles, Fine Cutlery, Pocket Diaries, Pocket Books, Bill Books, Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Dictionaries, Gold Pens, Fine Etchings, Fancy Inkstands,



For Her.

Toilet Sets, Perfume Sets, Afternoon Tea Kettles, Work Boxes, Writing Desks, Portfolios, Photograph Albums, Autograph Albums, Music Rolls and Wraps, Hook of Poems, Fine Letter Paper, Fine Penholders, Fine Scissors, Maoicure Sets, Jewel Cases, Serap Books.



In our Toy Department opposite Hahn's shoe store

## A Closing-Out Sale

Bargains in Toys, Dolls, Dishes, etc. We give up our Toy room the 1st of January and everything must be sold.

# Griffin & Reed.

**ODDITIES and NOVELTIES for CHRISTMAS.**  
Jewelry for less than half the cost price.

**NEW YORK NOVELTY STORE.**

Opposite the Occident.  
ASTORIA, OREGON.

**USEFUL and BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS CARDS.**

Come and see our stock before purchasing elsewhere.

**A FINE LINE OF TOYS, DOLLS, JUVANILE BOOKS, ALBUMS AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.**

## STRANGE

— BUT —

## TRUE!



## No Fish Story.

CHAPTER I.

When we were small kids  
We lived in ASTORIA;  
She was stuck up,  
But I wasn't vain—  
When we were small kids  
We took our CASTORIA,  
But now we're grown up  
We both drink  
CHAMPAGNE!!

CHAPTER II.

When we were small kids  
And took our CASTORIA,  
We went to bed late  
And early did rise;  
But now we are wed,  
Keep house in ASTORIA,  
My wife makes me buy  
My clothing of WISE!!

CHAPTER III.

Useful Christmas presents  
At

## The Wise Clothing Store.

## GRAND BALL!

To be given by the

**ASTORIA AMATEUR BRASS BAND.**

— AT —

**Fisher's Hall, Dec. 31, 1894.**

(New Year's Eve.)

Admission, \$1.00. Ladies free.

Tickets can be had of any member of the band or at the principal cigar and stationery stores.

Good Music has been Secured for the

Occasion

Benj. Young, James Hure, C. J. Trenchard, Alex. Campbell, Benj. Worsley, C. J. Curtis, General Committee.

## A BURNING COAL MINE

One Hundred and Twenty-five Miners Narrowly Escape.

THE SENATE AND HOUSE

Several Important Bills Passed—The Nicaragua Canal Bill Discussed.

Associated Press.

Seattle, Dec. 17.—Fire broke out in the Oregon Improvement Company's Newcastle mine at Oval Creek, ten miles from this city, at 8:30 o'clock this morning and the creek was turned into the mine to extinguish the flames. In the midst of the wild confusion, Supt. Anderson telephoned below to the third level, telling the 125 men in the mine how to escape, and stayed at the telephone until the fire drove him away. Five men went down the slope to warn them, though the slope was burning within 100 feet. The fans were kept working though they fanned the flames and enormously increased the loss, and the men worked like demons to keep the flames from them, for a moment's stoppage would mean death. The last man was brought out at 2:30 p. m. and the roll was called. The openings were then stopped. Coal great dunnies and turned into the mine, and tomorrow the fans will be reversed to draw out the smoke while the men go down to fight the fire. The machinery and top works were saved, except the roof of the slope, but twenty-two mules, harness, cars and other loss aggregates \$50,000.

**THE NICARAGUA BILL.**  
Peffer Does Not Think the Government Should Take Hold of the Project.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate today resumed its consideration of the Nicaragua canal bill, and Peffer addressed the senate. He did not believe the country was in condition to buy the canal, and issue bonds for its payment. The constitution did not authorize the lending of money for a private enterprise, as was proposed by the bill. It would not do for the government to build the canal. Squires, of Washington, followed with a hearty endorsement of the canal project, which he said would be of greater importance to the western world than the Suez to the East.

**IN THE HOUSE TODAY.**  
A Number of Bills Pass in Quick Succession.

Washington, Dec. 17.—At the opening session of the house, Sherman presented a preamble and resolution declaring that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was an obstacle to the construction of the interoceanic canal, and that it should be abrogated. It was referred to the committee on foreign affairs. Fifteen of the sixteen bills favorably reported from Friday night's session were then passed without objection, in exactly four minutes.

McRae, chairman of the committee on public lands, moved to pass, under suspension of the rules, a bill to protect the public forest reservations. Wells changed that resolution, which was behind the bill, and predicted that those who were pushing it through with whip and spur would live to regret their action. The vote resulted 159 to 63, and the bill passed.

**FOR A LAND COMMISSION.**  
Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate committee on public lands today authorized a favorable report on the bill providing for a commission to examine and segregate the mineral lands of Montana and Idaho from the Northern Pacific land grant.

**WILL WAIT AWHILE.**  
Washington, Dec. 17.—The plan of urging Secretary Carlisle's plan for the revision of currency before the holidays has been abandoned. Again the house today passed a bill to protect public forest reservations.

**TO EXPLORE RANIER.**  
The Post-Intelligencer Party Left for the Summit Today.

Seattle, Dec. 17.—The Post-Intelligencer party for the exploration of Mount Ranier left today, and after stopping at Puyallup to secure homing pigeons to carry messages from the mountain, will go on to Wilkeson. From that point they will start over the trail to-morrow morning to make the ascent which will begin at Crater Lake. The party is composed of Major G. S. Ingraham, a veteran volunteer; Geo. Russell, E. Cole Hill, Dr. Luther Lestey, Hamilton Boyd and W. M. Sheffield, of the Post-Intelligencer staff.

**CURRENCY REPORT PRESENTED.**  
Washington, Dec. 17.—The majority of the house committee on banking and currency favorable to the Secretary Carlisle plan of currency, was today presented to the house by Chairman Springer, with a recommendation that the bill pass.

**FOR THE BATTLESHIP OREGON.**  
Portland, Dec. 17.—The members of the state military board of Oregon,

have formed an organization for the purpose of raising funds to present a testimonial to the battleship Oregon when she is accepted by the government. The organization extends to every company in the state. The co-operation of the civil organization and commercial bodies will be requested to assist.

**A JUROR CHALLENGED.**  
Continued Trouble in Selecting the Steeves Jury.

Portland, Dec. 17.—A sensation was created in the criminal department of the state circuit court tonight just after the jury had been completed in the Steeves murder trial. When the last man had been selected District Attorney Hume arose and asked G. H. Dammeyer, one of the jurors, several questions regarding his relation with Geo. P. Joseph, who is under indictment for attempting to bribe a juror in the trial of "Bancroft" Kelly, who last week was found guilty of murder in the second degree for killing Sayres. Dammeyer replied that he had business relations with Joseph. Mr. Hume then temporarily challenged Dammeyer, stating that he was unfit to sit on the jury. The attorney for the defence claimed that as Dammeyer had been accepted by the prosecution, he must sit on the jury. After some heated remarks by the counsel, Judge Stevens took the matter under advisement until tomorrow morning.

**UNDOUBTEDLY LOST.**  
The Montserrat and Keweenaw Given Up as Lost.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—That the steam colliers Montserrat and Keweenaw have been lost at sea with all on board is now considered almost a certainty. The Montserrat, from Nanaimo, and the Keweenaw from Comox, B. C., are both seven days overdue at this port. For several days tugs and coasting steamers all along the Northern coast have kept a sharp lookout, but no tidings of either steamer has been received. Both vessels were heavily loaded, and the prevailing opinion is that they were lost almost together in the terrific gale that raged off Cape Flattery on the night that they put to sea. The Montserrat, Captain Blackburn, carried a crew of 20 men, and the Keweenaw, Capt. Jonkida, had a crew of 30 men. Anxiously is also left for the bark Germania and Columbia.

**JOCKEY GARRISON'S PLANS.**  
He Will Go To England for the Next Race.

New York, Dec. 17.—"Snapper" Garrison will never ride in this country again if he can carry out his present plans successfully. Garrison has made up his mind to sail for England in February and remain there until next racing season is over. Garrison is not sure that his style of riding will do over there, but he means to have a wrestle with English jockeys to ascertain, if nothing else, how Americans compare with Britishers in the saddle.

**DEBS WILL APPEAL.**  
Chicago, Dec. 17.—At a conference this afternoon between President Debs and other American Railway Union officials, and their attorneys, it was decided to endeavor to secure an appeal to the supreme court on a writ of error and also apply for a writ of habeas corpus. It is believed by the American Railway Union people here that the defendants' attorneys would meet with success in at least one of these attempts to stay the execution of sentences, and the opinion is freely expressed that Debs and associates would not go to jail.

**MARKING OPIUM STAMPS.**  
Tacoma, Dec. 17.—Local customs officers believe they have made a good start toward breaking up the "Chinese method of sweating customs stamps" and placing them on smuggled opium. Within 30 days eighty pounds of opium is consigned to Portland and San Francisco, bearing sealed stamps, have seized here and twenty pounds at Olympia. Officers are placing private marks on the stamps when first used, so they can detect them afterwards.

**THE BOWERS DREDGER SUIT.**  
San Francisco, Dec. 17.—It was decreed in the United States circuit court today in the case of Adolph B. Bowers against Alexander McNea and others, that the dredging and hydraulic apparatus patents issued to A. B. Bowers in 1885 are good and valid, and that he is declared the inventor of the machinery involved in the suit.

**PLEADED NOT GUILTY.**  
Minneapolis, Dec. 17.—Clara A. Blitt, the self-confessed murderer of Catherine Gine, was arraigned in the district court this morning and in a weak voice pleaded not guilty. The case was set for trial January 7th.

**WATTS WILL LECTURE.**  
Denver, Dec. 17.—Governor Watts will go East to lecture immediately after the expiration of his term, January 8. His first lecture will be delivered at Chicago January 12. From Chicago he will go to New York.

**CHINESE LOSE AGAIN.**  
Yokohama, Dec. 17.—In the fighting near Peng Hsing, the Japanese lost twelve killed and 62 wounded. The Chinese had 123 killed.

**BOGGS' TRIAL COMMENCED.**  
Tacoma, Dec. 17.—The trial of George W. Boggs, ex-city treasurer, charged with embezzling \$25,000, was begun to-

## FEDERATION OF LABOR

They Elect John McBride President vice Gompers.

CONFESSED HIS GUILT

Seeley, the Defaulter, Pleaded Guilty—Indictments for Obstructing Navigation.

Associated Press.

Denver, Dec. 17.—The convention of the Federation of Labor today decided to make the headquarters of their organization at Indianapolis. The contest narrowed down to Washington and Indianapolis, and the vote resulted in Indianapolis 1296, Washington 325. John McBride, president of the United Mine Workers, was elected president to succeed Gompers, the vote standing, McBride 1182, Gompers 837. There was no excitement attending the election of president, and several delegates announced they voted against Gompers by instructions from their unions. Gompers moved to make the vote unanimous for McBride, but objection was made. Gompers at once sent a message to McBride, congratulating him and pledging his support. McGuire, of Philadelphia, was elected first vice-president; James Duncan, of Baltimore, second vice-president; Roderic Kenihan, of Denver, third vice-president; B. J. Ehrlich, of the Seaman's Union, fourth vice-president; A. M. McGrath, of Boston, secretary; John B. Lennon, treasurer. New York was chosen as the next place of meeting.

**FOR OBSTRUCTING NAVIGATION**  
Indictments Turned Out by the Federal Grand Jury at Portland.

Portland, Dec. 17.—The United States grand jury today returned true bills against thirty-one persons engaged in the salmon canning industry at Astoria for obstructing navigation at the mouth of the Columbia river. Not a true bill was returned in the case of Otha Savage, John Klein and Ralph Gibbons, accused of robbing the postoffice at The Dalles. John Hawthorn was indicted for the murder of an Indian policeman at Carpatis on the Warm Spring reservation. Hawthorn was an important witness in the trial of Sawyer at The Dalles for the Pacific Express robbery. This is the first indictment for murder in the federal court since that of the Indian Peilo, about four years ago.

**SEELEY PLEADED GUILTY.**  
New York, Dec. 17.—Samuel C. Seeley, formerly book-keeper for the Shoe and Leather National Bank, charged with aiding the late Frederick Baker in robbing that bank of \$25,000, was arraigned in the United States circuit court today. He pleaded guilty and was remanded until Friday for sentence.

**APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED.**  
Washington, Dec. 17.—The house passed today the army appropriation

bill. The bill carries \$22,750,000. Three propositions in the bill were favorably recommended by the secretary of war. One reduced the number of men in the pay department to twenty, a reduction of five. The second reduced the number of captains in the assistance department by four, and the third transferred the military prison at Fort Leavenworth to the jurisdiction of the department of justice.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Captured—Bark Gatherson, for Nansaito. Deposited—Arango for Costa Rica. Priscilla and children—British ship Scottish Hills, at San Diego, west from Portland to United Kingdom. Havre Adwesty, or Dundick, British ship Thasata, at Portland, west thence to United Kingdom, Antwerp, or Dundick.

THE YELLOW LIGHT.

The story in an old one, but you can afford to hear it again. The scene is London. A ragged urchin stands before a Peep Show in the Strand. The lad has just paid his penny and is now standing on tiptoe to look through the little aperture at the wonderful panorama within. "You see, sonny?" said the showman, "the train of cars comes along this side then it goes out of sight through the tunnel, and then it comes out again on the other side, and where you see a red light it means 'danger'." "What's the yellow light mean?" said the boy. "There isn't no yellow light sonny," replied the man. "Yes there is, mister," said the boy. "Oh, no, sonny. There isn't no yellow light. There isn't no red light it means 'danger'. There isn't no yellow light, sonny." "But there is, mister," responded the urchin, "what's the yellow light mean?" The showman, evidently desirous that the easiest way to satisfy the youngster's curiosity was to take a peep into the show himself. He looked in and quickly discovered what the boy meant. "The yellow light, sonny, means that the whole blooming show is on fire, and future performances are indefinitely postponed." "Do you see the moral?" "A man can sometimes be very much helped by the suggestion of an outsider. In fact, his whole business may sometimes be saved from ruin by taking an outsider's hint in time." "We don't fish ourselves, but we can give you a useful hint just the same. You are living within a walking distance of the twinnish eminary—on your ideas of twine date back to the time when there was only one brand. You imagine that other twines have not come forward within the last ten years and leaped to the front. What a mistake! The manufacturers of Marshall's Twine have the largest factory in the world and are making the best twine. The fishing season is fast approaching. Perhaps you will soon need twine. Come and examine the Marshall Twine and its record." BILMOIRE, SANBORN & CO., Agents.

Shavings are coming into demand for bed and mattress filling, and the Wisconsin planing mills have struck a bonanza in packing them like hay and sending them all over the country.

## THE official reports show that no baking powder received an award over the Royal at the Chicago World's Fair.

The judge of awards on baking powder writes that the claim by another company to have received the highest award is false; that no such award was given to it. The Royal Baking Powder is the purest and strongest baking powder made, and has received the highest award at the Great International Expositions and World's Fairs wherever exhibited in competition with others.

It makes the finest, lightest, sweetest, most wholesome bread, cake and pastry. More economical than any other leavening agent.

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