

Christmas Groceries Are Necessary



And you doubtless want such as will make your Christmas dinner the best of the year. We can help you to this result by the excellence and variety of good things we have provided for the holiday trade.

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COLUMBIA SHOE COMPANY
322 COMMERCIAL STREET.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

AROUND TOWN.

FRIDAY.

The home is the unit of the nation. The more homes the broader the foundation of the nation and the more secure.

Try Schilling's Best tea and baking powder.

Fresh pop corn at Star Grocery.

F. W. Newell returned yesterday from Portland.

Large assortment new crop nuts, Star Grocery.

Wanted—To rent upright piano, cheap. H. H. this office.

Why buy Christmas presents when De-To is giving them away.

Henry Langworthy returned from Portland on the steamer Thompson yesterday.

C. A. Truesdale of the hardware department of the Ford & Stokes Co., is on the sick list.

The wheat barges for finishing the cargo of the steamship Estrykdale will arrive down this morning.

P. J. Meany, the leading merchant tailor, 137 Tenth St. The highest price paid for fur skins.

China cup and saucer given as a souvenir with refreshments Friday evening at Congressional church.

Rev. T. A. Hyland and Mrs. Hyland expect to leave this morning for Paso Robles, Cal., to spend the winter.

Geo. G. Burrell, Richard W. Montague, Portland; C. W. Meyers, San Francisco; J. R. Carmick, San Mateo, are guests at the Occident.

Mr. W. O. Barnes, of the Eureka & Eureka Packing Co., has returned from a two weeks' sojourn with relatives in central California.

The funeral of the late Carl J. Bracker took place from the family residence at 1 o'clock yesterday, and the remains interred in Greenwood cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. George left on Wednesday night, via Portland, for California. They expect to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. George, at Santa Clara.

Plum pudding, cranberries, sweet elder and a large line of other reasonable staple and fancy groceries at Ross, Higgins & Co.

Two young girls intending to attend school after the holidays can find a good home at Mrs. E. C. Holden's in return for services rendered in light housework. Call at 405 Duane street.

The teachers and pupils of the Concord of the Holy Names have almost completed their preparations for the entertainment which will be given on the 23d for the benefit of their library. It is safe to predict that this will be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever given in Astoria.

\$2000.00

You'll have a hard time finding a better baking powder than Schilling's Best—and you won't find it.

There are "cheaper" ones by the score.

Schilling & Company San Francisco

of the French ship Pacific, Wednesday evening, at 5 o'clock, the adjustment of her custom house papers, and the dispatch of the vessel up the river at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

Largest and most complete assortment of air-tight heaters in the city. All the kinds advertised in this paper may be seen and compared at our store, then your selection will be satisfactory to you. Ford & Stokes Co.

Whiskey may be called the national beverage. It is truly American. When Englishmen select it as a tonic or stimulant, it must have merit. They buy Crown Whiskey. It is the only American whiskey of international reputation.

In the justice's court yesterday Fong Win was arrested for larceny by bail on complaint of Fong Young. The defendant worked for the prosecuting witness in a laundry and is accused of embezzling a sum of money collected. Justice Abernethy set the bail for \$1000 on this morning.

A pure whiskey across with any food in fact aids digestion. It tones the stomach, increases the flow of the gastric juices and so promotes strength and flesh. A pure whiskey like HARPER Whiskey. Sold by Ford & Stokes Co., Astoria, Ore.

It was stated yesterday that P. B. Heikman cannot qualify for the office of city surveyor. Mr. Bell, the defeated candidate, states that the county clerk and the clerk of the district court in Omaha, Neb. where Mr. Heikman claims he became a naturalized citizen in 1887, have no record of the papers taken out by him at that time.

Five of the delayed ships came in from sea yesterday. Among them was the Thetis, from Nagasaki, with her flag at half-mast, because of short food supply. She only had a little flour aboard, and was brought in first and supplies sent aboard. The Lulliblow-Ship had her main topmast mast carried away. All the ships anchored in the lower harbor.

Shares of the Alaska Transportation and Development Company of Chicago are the most desirable investment before the public. Safe, than savings banks and bank stock. Paying large dividends. Shares one dollar. For information address W. L. Dudley, general agent, Halter building, Seattle, Wash.

Lieut. Howard Emery, executive officer on the Commodore Perry, has been detached from that vessel, and assigned to duty on the United States steamer ship Manning, Boston harbor.

The "Wave Crest" is a new ornamental ware, with a rich, wavy surface, tastefully lined with satin, in colors to harmonize with the decorations, which are traced in gold and colors producing floral and conventional designs. These goods are of a high order of artistic merit. The metal trimmings are gold plated and finished in a very careful manner, making altogether the handsomest moderate-priced gift for holiday presents. J. H. Seymour has them in stock. Call and examine whether you wish to purchase or not.

FOR SALE—A small piano; price \$50. Inquire at S. Kirchoff, corner Twelfth street and Franklin avenue.

Dr. Bishop has removed his office and rooms to 525 Commercial street, over the Co-operative Grocery Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bennett who have been for some time past at Walla Walla are now visiting in Denver.

G. W. Whitlock, Portland; A. C. Mowry, Stella; S. S. Smith, city, are guests at the Parker house.

The merchants yesterday reported an increase in trade, with a large number of visitors from the country.

New crop dried fruit, new crop raisins, figs and assorted nuts—all extra fine quality, at Ross, Higgins & Co.

The government yesterday contracts with the Ford & Stokes Co. for furnishing supplies for the Perry for the month of January.

None of the ten ships awaiting to go to sea were able to leave out yesterday, but it is probable that a number of them will get out today.

The contract for the improvement of Commercial street was signed yesterday and calls for the completion of the improvement by April 1.

A full line of Claxson's celebrated shears (right and left handed) and razors fully guaranteed. Nothing better for holiday presents. At Fisher Bros.

Ross, Higgins & Co. yesterday made a plan for Santa Claus in their holiday window which is one of the handsomest pieces of decorative work in the city.

to pull a gun on him. In his effort to escape he climbed out the window on a narrow ledge that a cat couldn't stand on and scalded the roof. By hard work another roofer got Scriver down off the roof through the window into his room, but was unable to keep him there. The man gave them all the slip and ran around the block, coming back by such the alleyway. Just then Officer Sinnott appeared on the scene, took the man in charge, persuaded him to put on his clothes, and put him in a place of safety.

MAN DROWNED.

News was received yesterday from Clifton that James Sherman, keeper of the range light on Tomba Island, was found dead in his skiff early yesterday morning. He was a well known character, being an old man and a resident of that neighborhood for many years.

When found his feet were fast in the boat, which was almost filled with water, and the greater part of his body was hanging in the river. It is thought that as he is subject to fits, he may have fallen over while taken with one. It is believed that he has no relatives, other than a grandfather living in Portland. Coroner Pohl was summoned.

A GOOD PRACTICE.

If You Want a Good Appetite and Perfect Digestion.

After each meal dissolve one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets in the mouth and, mixing with the food, they constitute a perfect digestive, absolutely safe for the most sensitive stomach.

They digest the food before it has time to ferment, thus preventing the formation of gas and keeping the blood pure and free from the poisonous products of fermented, half-digested food.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets make the complexion clear by keeping the blood pure. They increase flesh by digesting fresh-forming foods.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the only remedy designed especially for the cure of stomach troubles and biliousness.

One disease cure remedy, the successful physician of today is the medicine prepared especially for the disease.

A whole package taken at one time would not hurt you, but would simply be a waste of good material.

Over six thousand men and women in the state of Michigan alone have been cured of indigestion and dyspepsia by the use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Sold by all druggists at 50 cents for full sized packages.

Send for free book on stomach disease to Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

SEASIDE NOTES.

The literary society meets every Saturday.

Lyman Kinney spent Sunday with E. H. Laidton.

The mill was shut down for repairs on Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. E. Young and wife spent several days at their cottage.

The boating alleys are used every day by the two society clubs.

HOLIDAY HUMMERS

Dolls We have the biggest assortment of Dolls in Astoria, at prices from 1 cent to \$2.50 each.	Aprons We have them and fine ones too. All new designs, especially for the holiday trade.	Umbrellas Nothing more suitable for a Christmas present than one of our nice Umbrellas. They are beautiful.
Toys Everything to please the little ones. Make your selections before the assortment is broken. We have all the latest novelties in Toys.	Dress Goods Imported novelties in figured and plain Dress Goods at special prices for the holidays.	Men's Goods If you need anything in the line of Gents' Furnishings, come to us, as we have the largest and most complete stock in Astoria.
Ribbons Baby Ribbon, all shades, yard wide. No. 5 All Silk Ribbon, yard wide. No. 7 All Silk Ribbon, yard wide. No. 9 All Silk Ribbon, yard wide. No. 12 All Silk Ribbon, yard wide. No. 18 All Silk Ribbon, yard wide.	FOR Fancy Work Silks in all colors. Embroidery Silk all shades. Knitting Silk, 5 cents a spool. Embroidery Hoop, Needles, Art Draperies, Dollies, Scarfs, Stands Covers, Splashes, Etc.	Etc., Etc. Ladies' and Misses' Sweaters, Ladies' Kid Gloves, all colors, Ladies' Feather Bosoms, Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Ladies' and Children's Coats, Caps and Jackets.

Santa Claus will be with us soon. Watch out for him.

SHANAHAN BROS.

The Only Store That Sells Cheap

CALL FOR WARRANTS.

Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants endorsed prior to June 7, 1895, to present the same to the County Treasurer, for payment. Interest ceases after this date. Office 16 Tenth street.

Dated Astoria, Oregon, December 14, 1897.
H. C. THOMPSON, County Treasurer.

A COLORED SUPPLEMENT.

Dear Mrs. Santy Claws:
Dunno if you's gwine to member dis yer chile on Xmas morn, cause I knowe I's pow'fully wicked, I an; but if you's gwine to put a thing 'fall in my late Xmas sock I hope you'll not forget to bring something yussell.

THE LIGHTSHIP REBUILT.

Lightship No. 47, which went adrift from her station last Saturday, was brought down from the bar Saturday evening and morning fully equipped with cable and mushroom anchor, took on 150 tons of coal, a full complement of supplies, and will leave out for her station at 1 o'clock this morning.

Established for the Treatment of all Functional and Nervous Diseases.

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Photographer

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IS IN SAMPLING

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