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Our Specialty: STOVES AND RANGES
We know the business. Twenty years experience. If you want a GOOD Stove, see the stock at the

Eclipse Hardware Co. 25 PER CENT

On All Lines of Goods in His Store.

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OUR MOTTO:

"WE SELL EVERYTHING."

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W. F. SCHEIBE, Manufacturer and Dealer in

A full line of Pipes, Tobaccos, and Smokers' Articles.
474 Commercial St.

FINE CIGARS!

An Ideal Gift...

You cannot take a small amount of money and buy a Christmas gift half so useful as a

Pair of Good Slippers.

We have the largest assortment ever shown in the city, at the very lowest prices.

John Hahn,
The Reliable Shoe Dealer.

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The Oldest House in Astoria.

The Largest and Only

Carpet and Furniture House

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The largest and finest stock of Carpets and Furniture carried by any house in Oregon outside of Portland.

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Heavy Forging Under Power Hammer a Specialty

Sole Manufacturers of the Unsurpassed

... "Harrison Sectional" Propellor Wheel ...

Manufacturers for the Pacific Coast for the

ROBERTS WATER-TUBE BOILER.

FLANNIGAN

Tells How It Is Possible for His Hired Man, Herman Wise, to Make a Reduction of

25 PER CENT
On All Lines of Goods in His Store.

Wanted a year we say New Years, an' with New Years comes the dool tomes, 'till spring makes the new styles bloom in the garbden iv commerce loke gould mines is blooming in the Klondike, therefore we open our 25 per cent reduction sale on the first of atch year and comfortable to custom we take the raiser in the hand and cut the liver an' onions out iv prices.

Talking iv raisers, did ye ever thry to cut a suit, corn with a raiser when it feris dool an' shiegly loke, if ye have not, mobby ye have tried to shove yer self when yer new born moostash first saw the loight iv day; or perchance ye have attended a colored picnic and have seen 'em sharpen their razors on each others' cocanuts; in aither evnt ye can realize what it manes, for Herman Wise to cut the price iv everything in his shooer 25 per cent.

There's men's an' boys' studs iv all descriptions, an' hats, shirts, an' socks, etc., an' etc.; the erool razor gets his sharp wurrick in 'n' iv everything in the shooer.

Hev ye ever figured out what 25 per cent, rally manes? If you've not, ye have a darter, rize with thirty summers an' ye could get her age rejoiced 25 per cent, or s'posing ye had 500 bushels iv pigs feet, which ye have not, an' ivery pigs foot was worth 50 cents on the bargain counter iv a comparimint shooer an' by stiding yer pig's feet to the Phillisite Islands ye could get 25 per cent, ad veltorum or 25 per cent, more in dinkies at the corner grocery; or if ye had a bahn full iv hens that laid a sour kroat barril full iv gold alikes ivery blessed day an' by faldin 'em on painless esery compound, ye could increase their sitting capacity 25 per cent, why will ye take the few hard earned dollars which yer wiffe has saved up, by eggtracking the small change from your hip pocket mahragins, an' throw it into the drawers iv an opposition shooer, when Herman Wise offers ye 25 per cent, redooction on ivery thing.

Judgin' from yer reputation an' the general foolion iv yer complixion I'm sure ye will conclud to take advantage iv Herman Wise's 25 per cent, redooction sale, beginning January 1st.

Throoly yerms, FLANNIGAN, in care iv HERMAN WISE, The Reliable Clothier and Hatter.

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GETTING INTO A PAIR.



Of our Shoes that feel comfortable at once is worth a great deal. We'll put your feet into Shoes of that kind and charge nothing extra for the comfort and very little for the Shoes.

Petersen & Brown.

THE PROOF

of the pudding is in the eating and the proof of liquors

IS IN SAMPLING

That's an argument that's conclusive—a demonstration. Ours will stand the test.

HUGHES & CO.

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General Contractor

HOUSE RAISING AND MOVING A SPECIALTY

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Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

CIGARS AND TOBACCO

Smokers Supplies
Of All Kinds.

Commercial St.

INCREASE IS VERY GREAT

Proposed New Military Establishment Will Cost Eighty Millions.

INCREASE OF \$57,000,000

The Hull Bill Providing for a Greater Army Will Carry an Enormous Amount.

CABLE COMPANIES' CLAIM

Want Damages for Enforced Suspension of Business by Military and Naval Forces.

Present cost of army, \$34,433,480
Cost under Hull bill, \$21,233,711
Increase of cost, \$57,710,231

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The cost of the proposed military establishment under the Hull bill, reported to the house, as compared with the present regular military establishment, not counting the volunteer forces incidental to the war, is shown in letters sent to Adjutant General Corbin to Chairman Hull, of the military committee. It gives the present cost of the regular army at \$34,433,480; cost under the proposed bill, \$21,233,711, increase of cost, \$57,710,231.

CLAIMS OF CABLE COMPANIES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Another disagreeable consequence of the late war has been presented to the government in the claims from the cable companies for damages sustained through suspension of their business by the United States military and naval forces. The aggregate amount of those claims cannot be foretold. The state department is puzzled in dealing with these claims. There is no exact precedent for them and it is realized we must make some new international law to meet the case.

HASKELL'S WIDOW PENSIONED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—A pension of \$30 a month was today granted to Mrs. Rhea B. Haskell, widow of Brigadier General Joseph T. Haskell, who was wounded at the battle of El Caney in July and afterwards died.

THE ANTI-EXPANSIONISTS MEET AT THE HUB CITY.

Senator Perkins, of California, and De Armond, of Missouri, speak Against the Imperialistic Policy.

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—At the yearly banquet of the Merchants' Association, of Boston, at the Vendome last night, a number of interesting addresses on the future policy of the country were made by gentlemen of prominence in national affairs. The guests of the association from outside the state were Senator Perkins, of California, Congressman De Armond, of Missouri, and Boutelle, of Maine. Senator Perkins prefaced his remarks by complimentary allusions to New England's wealth and business energy and also spoke of the great productiveness of California. He spoke enthusiastically of ship building on the Pacific coast which had turned out such fine vessels as the Oregon, Olympia and Monterey. After referring to the annexation of Hawaii, he said:

"The war with Spain has developed other questions. We made a declaration of itself more far-reaching than any of us anticipated or imagined. We have acquired Porto Rico, the Ladrones and a thousand more of the Philippine Islands. I do not think it is a very good business investment. I have only to call your attention to the fact of their pestilential character that there is not a congressman today who is not daily receiving hundreds of letters from volunteers in Manila, urging him to have those volunteers discharged. We will come down to the humanitarian standpoint. My manufacturing friends, I do not believe you will find very much of a market in future for your wares and merchandise. General Aguinaldo says Spain does not own the islands. He says the United States have got only Manila and we have got 30,000 men there. Today I see there are six more regiments to be sent, and they will take another city in the island of Luzon.

"You say I am not an expansionist. I think I would have been in favor of the annexation of Louisiana if I had lived at the time, but I have any anxiety in taking in these isolated groups of islands with ten or twelve millions of Asiatics! Can we tax them without representation? Do we want such a heterogeneous mass of people brought into this country? Did we promise the Filipinos anything? The honor of the nation is pledged to them. But we have not pledged it to the Filipinos. We have 20,000 troops there now, and it will cost the United States at least \$20,000,000 per annum to maintain them in Luzon and two of the other large islands there. Is it just to our people? We have in the Philippine Islands another element—a million and a half Mohammedans in these islands believing in the doctrine of the plurality of wives. Yet some of the journals that are advocating expansion will not permit a representative from Utah to enter congress because he at one time said that his forefathers believed

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NEW LAWS FOR ALASKA

Representative Tongue Has Prepared a Licensing Amendment.

WILL PRODUCE REVENUE

Main Business Concerns Are Not Contributing to the Support of the Territory.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC ABUSES

Whisky is Smuggled in and No Tax is Derived—Distin's Opinion of the Gold Deposit.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Representative Tongue, of Oregon, has prepared an amendment to the bill for the codification of the laws of Alaska, now pending in the house, providing for the licensing of the main business concerns in the territory, and especially the liquor business. Tongue says that the Treadwell mine does not pay anything in the way of taxes to the support of the territorial institutions, and that from the region surrounding Juneau about \$500,000 in gold is produced annually and does not contribute a cent to the government.

The present arrangements concerning liquor, he declares, are corrupting society. No officer can prosecute those who sell liquor without being ostracized by the people in the territory, and the liquor that is sold pays no revenue. It is introduced in the territory by being shipped in bond to Lake Bennett and smuggled back into Alaska. Such liquor as is sold there is of the very worst kind, being adulterated, he says, to an extent unknown elsewhere.

Senator Perkins tried to have a similar amendment incorporated in the general Alaskan bill, which passed the senate last year, but it was defeated.

ALASKA WONDERFULLY RICH.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—In a personal letter received today, Surgeor General William L. Distin, of Alaska, speaks of the mineral outlook of that territory as follows:

"The general consensus of opinion is that Alaska will yet astonish the world with her mineral wealth and resources. Opportunities and possibilities will be great in this vast domain; development, of course, means much. One should be possessed with energy, push and get-there qualities and come prepared to endure hardships and privations. The Atlin district is attracting considerable attention and fortune-hunters are rushing to that country."

SEVERE WEATHER IN ALASKA.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 4.—Advice received from Alaska today says very severe weather has been experienced on the passes. Lake Bennett has at last begun to freeze over.

THOMAS LINVILLE NAMED FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Was Appointed by the County Court Yesterday—R. G. Prout Will Be His Chief Deputy.

The county court yesterday selected Thomas Linville as successor to the late Sheriff Williams. The candidates who made written application for the position were E. Houghton, of Sealie; C. W. Loughery, and C. F. Lester, of this city. There were also others whose applications were not formally reduced to writing. After reading the applications, the court took a recess, and at the meeting some time later appointed Mr. Linville. The latter was elected superintendent of streets at the late election, and the council will appoint a successor to him tonight.

The appointment of Mr. Linville is generally commended. He was a candidate for nomination to the office before the last republican convention. Mr. Hare was then successful, and it is said that Mr. Linville worked heartily during the entire campaign for Mr. Hare's election. His record as street superintendent probably had much to do with his selection by the county court for its present most important position. It is not perhaps too much to say that Mr. Linville is conceded on all sides to have made the best street superintendent Astoria has had in many years.

Mr. Linville was seen shortly after his appointment by an Astorian representative and asked concerning his plans for organizing his office. He states that he has every sympathy and consideration for the present deputies. "They are good men," said Mr. Linville, "and if I see my way clear to do so I should be glad to continue them in the positions occupied under Mr. Williams. I shall necessarily be engaged much in the active outside duties pertaining to my office, and of course will feel better satisfied to have deputies of my own choosing who are unquestioned as to their honesty and integrity to me personally on the inside. So far as Mr. Stuart is concerned,

I have already selected Mr. R. G. Prout as his successor. As to Mr. Hinder's place, while I would not wish at this time to commit myself in any way, I may not at present make any change. I feel highly gratified at the confidence manifested in me by the county court. When I had the strong hope of being selected for the vacancy and was urged by many influential citizens to become an open candidate and circulate a petition for the place, I retrained out of motives of delicacy from doing so. While I do not mean to say that my appointment has come to me entirely unanticipated or unthought, yet I can truthfully state that up to today I had no serious conversation with any member of the county court on the subject. It will be my earnest endeavor to merit the respect and confidence thus shown by my appointment. I do not affect any concealment of my plans and gratification over my success, and I shall certainly try to make as good a record as I can for myself."

HOW THE DRUMMER KNEW THE SPEED OF THE TRAIN.

He Employed an Infallible System and Won Several Five-Dollar Bets and Supper for the Crowd.

A number of traveling men, who had been "doing" Astoria, were on the up train the other night, smoking cigars and lying like horse thieves. The conversation touched upon pretty near everything under the sun, and finally the drummers began betting on different propositions. The bets were small, but the propositions were large, and every time a man lost a bet the rest of the crowd gave him a thousand dollar laugh. One of the party had been stuck more than his share and he was the butt of the crowd's joking.

"You fellows think you're pretty fresh," he said. "I'll bet I can guess whether the speed of this train is more or less than you say. I'll bet \$5 and supper for the crowd when we strike Portland."

He was betting against the field, so the others were very anxious to take what they considered his rash wager. It was decided to leave it to the conductor, whose decision would be final. The money was placed and each runner at the train's speed. When the field had finished guessing, the imposed upon individual said:

"Well, you jokers don't know as much about the speed of a train as you do about the Bible. This train is running, and has been at the rate of 30 miles an hour, at the rate of 35 miles an hour." Am I right, Mr. Conductor?

"Yes, sir, you are right. I have timed the train for the past ten minutes, and we are traveling just as you say."

"Talk about suckers!" he said. "Why, I was betting on a cinch all the time. I timed that train and knew just how fast it was traveling."

"That's right, try to appear wise because you won a bet," said one of his friends.

"No, it's a fact; let me tell you some things; it may be after me of use to you. Every time a train passes over a rail joint a click is heard. Count the number of clicks in 20 seconds, and you have the number of miles the train is running an hour. The rails, my dear fellow, are of uniform length on all railroads, and my system never fails. And don't be quite so fresh when you happen to stick a fellow on some fool proposition. The fellow is quite apt to turn the tables and stick you. No, thanks; it's my bed time. Good night. And he was gone."

ORDERED TO GAUM.

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—Lieutenant Colonel Perceval C. Pope, U. S. M. C., marine commander of the Charleston navy yard, has been ordered to hold himself in readiness to proceed to the island of Guam in the Pacific to command the land and naval forces at that new station. First Lieutenant Charles C. Long, U. S. M. C., also of this yard, will accompany him. The detail of marines to go out of the new station will be hardly more than a captain's guard.

DEWEY'S SWORD A BEAUTY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The sword of honor to be presented to Rear Admiral Dewey as a national recognition of his victory at Manila has been completed by Tiffany & Co., and will be shipped to Washington Saturday. The sword is of 22 karat gold, with the exception of the blade and the body of the scabbard, which are made of the finest steel. Black silk is also used for the grip, and diamonds are used profusely in the ornamentation.

NOMINEES FOR THE SENATE.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 4.—Senator Davis was tonight unanimously nominated by the republican caucus to succeed himself in the United States senate.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 4.—Senator Eugene Hale was tonight nominated by the republican caucus to succeed himself in the senate.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 4.—Senator J. C. Burrows was tonight nominated by the republican caucus to succeed himself.

ROYAL Baking Powder

Made from pure cream of tartar.
Safeguards the food against alum.
Alum baking powders are the greatest dangers to health of the present day.