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and we will save you  
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We don't want your ear all winter, nor do we want all your dollars. We can tell you enough in a short time to surprise you, and when you

BUY GOODS FROM US  
YOU WILL

KICK - YOURSELF  
because you have not always traded with us.

We give such BIG BARGAINS  
and we don't care for SMALL PROFITS  
—Anything to please our customers.—

DOUTY & LOCKE, Grocers

It's Quite a Trick

To write a convincing advertisement about harness and saddle now-a-days. All dealers claim so much, and most of them much, for the discriminating reader to believe. All we do is to get you to examine our stock, and compare our prices with those of other dealers.

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For us to sell when you have done this. We are convinced that we are selling as good goods for as little money, as you can get from any other dealer in Oregon. Investigate this matter and see for yourself.

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THE BANNER CASH GROCERY

HAS BEEN

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—YET IT HAS THE DISTINCTION

OF BEING THE  
FINEST GROCERY FIRM  
IN THE CITY.

In addition to calling the attention of the public to the Best and Cheapest Stock of  
GROCERIES & PROVISIONS  
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We call Special Attention to the

Fine Decorated China for Xmas  
\$15.00 Hanging Lamp, 1 Chance with every 50¢ purchase.

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Connecting with Steamer "HOMER" between  
Yaguina and San Francisco.  
Steamer leaves San Francisco March 4, 11, 21th  
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Draying of all kinds in and out of the city will receive prompt and careful attention if entrusted to

A. W. Dockstade  
(Successor to Chas. Mandy)  
Our prices are the lowest.

INDEPENDENCE, OREGON

Legal Blanks  
FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.

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To the  
SURPRISE PARTY

Every one is agreeably surprised when they get my prices on Watches. Never before were Ladies' and Gents' Watches offered so cheap as they are now.

Don't Buy until you get My Prices.

Yours for watch sales,

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SOME DEMANDS OF THE HOUR

The second administration of President Cleveland has become historical for its vacillating policy and inability to comprehend the burning issues of the day. In no single instance has the administration made the most of a great opportunity, and when the president has adopted a firm policy he has usually espoused the wrong side. President Cleveland seems utterly incapable of comprehending the drift of public opinion, or of comprehending the drift of public opinion, or of comprehending the drift of public opinion.

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assembly. The Dolph element did some fine work in the county conventions last spring and succeeded in getting a majority of their men on the legislative ticket. The rank and file of the republican party gave little heed to the question of Senator Dolph's successor. What they were striving for was republican victory, that was the end in view. The Oregonian and all the imported stumblers trained their heaviest guns on the populist party and made the republicans and a good many timid democrats believe that the state was in imminent danger of becoming populist. It was only an explosion of Chinese fire-crackers to call the attention of the people away from the main issue, namely, the election of Dolph representatives to the legislature. The plot was skillfully laid and the people deliberately walked into the ambush. Senator Dolph will be his own successor and no influence of the press can prevent it.

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Carrie Orens King

Save the Children

By Purifying Their Blood

Hood's Sarsaparilla Makes Pure Blood, Cures Scrofula, Etc.  
"My experience with Hood's Sarsaparilla has been very effective. My little girl, five years old, had for four years a bad skin disease. Her arms and limbs would break out in a mass of sores, discharging yellow matter. She would scratch the eruptions as though it gave relief, and tear open the sores."  
Two Bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla cured the eruptions to heal and the sores peeled off, after which the skin became soft and smooth. As a family medicine

HOOD'S Sarsaparilla CURES  
We believe Hood's Sarsaparilla has no equal and I recommend it. W. L. KING, Bluff Dale, Tex.  
Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic, gentle and effective. Try a box. 25 cents.

THE POLK COUNTY PRESS.

News Items and Editorial Expressions.

(Itemizer.)  
Our tillers of the soil are nearly all moving toward diversified farming.

J. M. Smith, of Kings valley, brought in five coyote scalps yesterday and received therefore a \$25 county warrant.  
This week Wm. Miller killed five hogs from which he obtained 400 pounds of lard. Three of them weighed over 400 pounds each.

The Methodists and their neighbors at Fall City have given their newly installed pastor, Rev. G. C. Harmon, a pleasant and valuable donation party.

J. B. Nunn left yesterday for a month's absence at his old home in Lewis county Missouri. He goes to settle up his father's estate and look after other estates he has back there.

The people and the press of the state at large have expressed themselves as opposed to much present change in public school text books. If those who have the power to decide the matter are governed by what the people think and wish, there will be but few changes at present.

Fifty-one years have rolled by since Mrs. America Grant and Mrs. Judith Shelton came to Dallas and they are both here yet and spryer than some of fewer years. Tuesday Mrs. Grant reached her 71st birthday and her children, Wm. Grant and Mrs. Maggie Elkins, and their children assembled at her home without invitation or permission. As they took along their dinners and enough for her too, she did not drive them away as she used to do the Indians some forty years ago. After having a joyous time and wishing Grandma many future days of pleasantness the party scattered.

(Observer.)  
Hop buyers are in town offering a small raise per pound.

Let the legislature re-enact the mortgage tax law, and thus place our home loaners on an equal footing with the foreign money loaners.

The Dallas woolen mill case, which has been in court for more than a year, was argued last Friday and taken under advisement by Judge Hewitt.

It was generally commented on by everybody that Sheriff Plummer and his deputies performed their work in summoning witnesses and running their part of the court at the December term in a manner never excelled in Polk county.

Councilman J. J. Williams has in his possession quite a rare Masonic souvenir in the way of an apron. It is 82 years old, and has all the emblems neatly worked on it. It was worn by his wife's grandfather in a Pennsylvania lodge.

Jennings Lodge, A. F. & A. M., elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing Masonic year: J. P. Magruder, W. M.; B. H. McCallon, S. W.; J. H. Townsend, J. W.; Henry Campbell, secretary; W. R. Craven, treasurer; A. W. Fowler, tyler.

The Maccabees elected the following officers last evening: Commander, Mark Hayter; lieutenant, J. D. Belt; R. K. I. N. Woods; F. K. J. S. Ashbaugh; chaplain, H. E. Muscott; sargent, Taylor Dunn; master at arms, Sam Elliott; F. M. of G., Chas. Baker; S. M. of G., A. L. Shreve; sentinel, V. P. Fiske; picket, George Conkey; trustees, R. R. Turner, J. D. Belt, B. H. McCallon.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder  
World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma.

The Prince of India,

In speaking of the writings of the stars, shown by astrology, says:  
WHAT IS EVERLASTINGLY WRIT SHALL BE EVERLASTINGLY READ.

We are determined that our reputation for handling the best of goods, selling them for the least money possible, and that we sell every article for just what it is represented to be, shall be everlastingly writ on the mind of every citizen in Polk county, and that by purchasing at

Patterson's Shoe Store

You will save money, and at the same time get the latest styles and most comfortable footwear in the market.

Electric Soles?



Everlastingly for No Misrepresentation,  
W. H. PATTERSON.

The Traveler to Independence

Should not fail to make his headquarters at The City Restaurant  
Remember, we give 6 First-class Meals for \$1.  
We desire your patronage, and if carefully prepared food and courteous treatment will secure it, we solicit a trial.  
MRS. L. CAMPBELL, Prop.; C. W. HAYES, Man'gr.  
Main St., Independence, Or.

NEW FURNITURE STORE.

NEW STORE! NEW GOODS! NEW PRICES!



Main St., Opposite Vanduy's INDEPENDENCE, OREGON. E. B. BERG.

Holiday Announcement!

If You Buy Your Clothing, Dress goods, Furnishing Goods or Boots and Shoes at J. M. VANDUYN'S  
During the Holidays, you will get more than your money's worth, and enough saved to buy your friends a Christmas present.  
Headquarters for General Merchandise.

WHAT IS A RACKET STOR?

It is a place to buy goods. What kind of goods?

Christmas Goods, Dolls, Toys, Celluloid cases, Flush cases.

Can you buy anything else at a Racket Stor?

Yes, you can buy the best shoes in Dongola kid, Vic kid, Kangaroo, calf, and Children's Shoes in several styles, at prices that cannot be beat by anyone.

BUT SAY, this isn't one quarter of the things you can get at a Racket Stor, and especially at the

NEW YORK RACKET STOR OF INDEPENDENCE.

Go and see what there is there.  
J. A. MILLS is the man.