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Merry Christmas.

Doesn't it give you a chill to read about those Eastern blizzards this mild weather?

Have you been photographed? No? Well, renew your subscription to THE ENTERPRISE and get one of McCaleb's best. They cannot be beaten.

The Fever Increasing.

The hop fever, which waxed higher and higher this fall as the price crawled steadily upward, shows no sign of abatement in Polk county, now that the crop is sold. Growers who realized gilt edged prices for their product this season are planning on increasing the acreage of their yards and much care and work will be expended to make the crop next year all that any one could wish it to be in quality as well as in quantity. As in all other branches of labor the best hops bring the best prices and an effort will be made by local growers to bring their hops to as high a state of perfection as possible next year. Along with these facts comes a query as to why so many owners are renting their yards, when experienced hop men so strongly declare that prices are sure to remain high at least until next year's crop shall have been marketed.

A Chance For Smart Boy or Girl

The Oregon Society of Sons of the American Revolution is an organization composed of descendants of ancestors who assisted in establishing American independence. Any male descendant of such ancestor is eligible to admission into the society. Its objects are purely patriotic and historical. One of them is to stimulate interest in the history of the American Revolution and loyalty to its principles. For this purpose the society offers three prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 respectively, for the best essay written by any student in any public school in Oregon on any one of the following four subjects: "The Battle of Bunker Hill," "The Burgoyne Campaign," "The Treason of Benedict Arnold," "The Partisan Warfare in the Carolinas; Marion, Sumpter and Pickens."

Essays are limited in length to twenty-five hundred words; must be written on legal cap on one side of the paper in the student's own handwriting and must be accompanied by the certificate of the principal of the school attended by the author, to the effect that the

author is a bona fide student in the school and has been in attendance therein not less than six weeks during the school year of 1902-3. Essays must be forwarded to the chairman of the committee in charge, Wallace McCamant, 34 Concord Building, Portland, so as to reach him not later than January 15, 1903. In awarding the prizes the committee will be governed by these three considerations: Historical accuracy. Manner of treatment. Orthography, grammar, syntax and punctuation.

Any additional information relative to the competition which may be desired will be cheerfully furnished by the chairman of the committee.

Saved at Grave's Brink.

"I know I would long ago have been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. N. Newson, of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffered untold agony from the worst forms of Indigestion, Waterbrash Stomach and Bowel Dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. Electric Bitters are a positive guaranteed cure. Only 50c at Kirkland Drug Co.

Standing of Correspondents.

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| Buena Vista, H..... | 703 |
| Antioch..... | 400 |
| Lewisville..... | 11 |
| Highlands, B..... | 37 |
| Sunny Slope..... | 33 |
| Airlie, S..... | 38 |
| Crowley, G..... | 26 |
| Parker, G..... | 55 |
| Rickreal, C..... | 71 |
| Calvary, D..... | 297 |
| Monmouth, A..... | 395 |
| Pedee, P..... | 41 |
| Monmouth, H..... | 555 |
| Ballston, B..... | 179 |

Call For City Bonds.

I have been ordered by the City Council of the City of Independence to issue a call for city bonds bearing date of April 1, 1901. The numbers are from 1 to 14, inclusive. Interest stops on and after the first publication of this notice.

C. W. IRVINE,
City Treasurer.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1902.



MRS. L. S. ADAMS.

Of Galveston, Texas.

"Wine of Cardui is indeed a blessing to tired women. Having suffered for seven years with weakness and bearing-down pains, and having tried several doctors and different remedies with no success, your Wine of Cardui was the only thing which helped me, and eventually cured me. It seemed to build up the weak parts, strengthen the system and correct irregularities."

By "tired women" Mrs. Adams means nervous women who have disordered menses, falling of the womb, ovarian troubles or any of these ailments that women have. You can cure yourself at home with this great women's remedy, Wine of Cardui. Wine of Cardui has cured thousands of cases which doctors have failed to benefit. Why not begin to get well today? All druggists have \$1.00 bottles. For any stomach, liver or bowel disorder Theford's Black-Draught should be used.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, The Ladies' Advisory Department, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

WINE OF CARDUI

Big Holiday Sale!

Many Presents to be Given Away!

A great bargain opportunity at this place. There will be given away many presents. All purchases of \$5 will be entitled to a present, the larger the purchase the greater the present. In addition to these presents every \$2 worth bought at my store will be entitled to one signature or guess on a handsome

White Maple Dresser.

The Dresser and a number of the presents to be given away will be seen in the south window. The number drawing the Dresser will be sealed in an envelope by the Enterprise editor and will be opened on the second day of January, 1903, and prizes awarded. Remember all goods will be sold at way down prices. Sale to commence

December 12th and ends January 1st

Now is your chance, everything new and up-to-date in patterns and designs. The following is a few of the numerous bargains: 3-piece Bedroom suites, \$12 and up; Sideboards, \$10.50 and up; Chiffoniers, \$7 and up; Couches, \$4.50 and up; Extension Tables, \$3.95 and up; Oak Center Tables, \$1 and up; Cobbler-seat Rockers, \$1.85 and up. We have the most complete stock of everything in the Furniture line to select from ever carried in your city. When looking around for a Christmas present for your father or mother, your wife or your daughter, your sister or your brother, give me a call. I am sure I can suit you in style, price and quality. Yours to please.

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Y. A. GRAY.

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In Old Athletic Club Building, Independence.**