

W. A. Messner

OUR GREAT

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CHRISTMAS SALE!

Commencing Saturday, December 12,

We will place on sale the following goods at prices that will appeal to the purchasing public. We must close out these lines before our spring stock arrives, therefore we have cut the prices to cost and in many instances below cost to close them out. Here is an opportunity to make your Christmas dollars do double value, get new and up-to-date goods and besides these are all appropriate for Christmas presents. These are all nice patterns.

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing.



Men's Suits.		Men's Overcoats	
\$8.00 suits at.....	\$6.40	\$7.50 coat at.....	\$6.20
9.00.....	7.20	8.00.....	6.40
10.00.....	7.95	9.00.....	7.95
12.50.....	9.95	11.00.....	8.80
15.00.....	11.90	12.50.....	9.95
16.00.....	12.80	15.00.....	11.90
18.00.....	14.60		
EXTRA PANTS		BOYS' CLOTHING	
\$1.50 pants at.....	\$1.20	\$2.25 suits at.....	\$1.85
2.50.....	1.95	2.50.....	2.00
3.50.....	2.75	3.00.....	2.40
5.00.....	3.90	4.00.....	3.20
		5.00.....	3.95
BOYS' OVERCOATS		6.00.....	4.80
\$2.25 coats.....	\$1.85	7.50.....	5.95
2.50.....	2.00	9.00.....	7.20
3.00.....	2.40	10.00.....	7.95
3.50.....	2.75	We have some great values in boys' knee pants. Ask to see them.	
5.00.....	3.90		

NOW FOR THE LADIES

All our Ladies' Skirts, Wrappers, Underskirts, Shirt Waists, Fascinators, Ice Wool Shawls, Ladies' and Misses' Caps at cost. Also our entire line of Dress Patterns in plain and fancy Zibelines. Here are the prices: Our \$11 patterns at \$8.60; our \$8.50 patterns at \$6.50; \$7 patterns at \$5.60; \$6 patterns at \$4.80; also our bolt goods in Zibelines 75c goods at 52c; \$1 goods at 73c; \$1.25 goods at 88c; \$1.50 goods at \$1.10.

Christmas Goods.

We have the largest line of Christmas Goods in the city, consisting of Toys, Games, Books, Picture Books, Albums, Dolls, Toilet Sets and hundreds of other articles that we haven't room to mention. We also have a nice line of Men's Shoes, Men's Slippers, Men's Dress Gloves, Suspenders, Fancy Hose, Neckties, Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Shoes, Slippers, Gloves, Waist Sets, Brooches, Shopping Bags, Purses, Wool Blankets, Comforters, Towels, Table Linen, Napkins, Trunks, Valises, Suit Cases.

We are here to stay and hope to merit your kind patronage by fair dealing, honest goods at living prices. Call and visit our store, let us show you our goods and get our prices. We are here to serve and please you. Highest market price paid for produce. We carry a nice line of Groceries and at Bottom Prices. Yours for Business,

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OAK POINT and GREENWOOD

Jas. T. Huntley has returned from his visit in California.

Johnie Walker spent a portion of last week with John Osburn.

John Young and Miss Janie Young have returned from a short visit in Portland.

A spelling match was given at the Greenwood school house last Friday evening. Ciphering was also an amusement.

Rd Osburn, who spent some time near Baker City, in the gold region of that country, is now in Portland and is expected home at any time.

Christmas will soon be here, and we open our hearts to receive again that festive day we love so dearly. How many hearts will be made glad on that day! How many happy hearts will welcome the sound of the Christmas bells! Oh, hasten ye cheribums of celestial

happiness, and prepare the hearts of all for the anniversary of the coming of the "Christ Child." "Peace on earth, good will to men."

A party was given Sunday evening at the home of Leona Becker. Music and games were enjoyed during the evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Michael Becker, Mr. and Mrs. John Simons, Will Simons, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. T. Huntley, Misses Ellen Brown, Leona Becker, Edith Witzel, Clara and Iva Martin, May and Hildah Simons, Mabel Becker and Ida Moore. Messrs Johnie Walker, and Frankie Simons, Freddie Young, Ralph, Roy and Frankie Martin, Alban, George, Clarence and Reuben Becker.

Better Than a Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the affected parts, is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain Balm has no superior as a liniment for the relief of deep seated, muscular and rheumatic pains. For sale by Kirkland Drug Co.

AIRLIE.

Our P. O. was visited by an inspector last week.

Lloyd Smith, of Lewisville, was here on business Monday.

Miss Frances Simpson, of Elk City, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Dalton, of Monmouth, is visiting relatives here this week.

The shooting match here Saturday was well attended and several fine turkeys were carried away.

Miss Ollie Williams visited her sister, Mrs. A. R. Lewis, Sunday.

Johnnie Hastings commenced working at the Charter Oak mill Tuesday.

Sarah Staats and daughter, Edith, were Monmouth visitors Saturday.

Rev. Allen, of Monmouth, passed through here Monday evening on his way to Lewisville.

A dance will be given in the Taylor hall Friday evening, Jan. 1, '04. All are invited.

The school here will close for the Christmas vacation Thursday, December 24, and open again Monday, January 4.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall Mass. has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles cured her." Guaranteed by A. S. Locke Druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottles free.

Portland and Return Only \$2.40.

The Southern Pacific Co. is now selling round trip tickets to Portland from Independence, for \$2.50, good going Saturday or Sunday, returning Sunday and Monday, giving all day Sunday and Monday in Portland. The same arrangement applies from Portland, giving Valley points a chance to visit Valley points at greatly reduced rates.

Old papers in any quantity for sale at this office. 20 cents per hundred.

DO YOUR CHILDREN ASK QUESTIONS?

Of course they do. It is their way of learning and it is your duty to answer. You may need a dictionary to aid you. It won't answer every question, but there are thousands to which it will give you true, clear and definite answers, not about words only, but about things, the sun, machinery, men, places, stories and the like. Then, too, the children can find their own answers. Some of our greatest men have ascribed their power to study of the dictionary. Of course you want the best dictionary. The most critical prefer the New and Enlarged Edition of

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TIME TABLE.

INDEPENDENCE & MONMOUTH RAILWAY CO.

Leaves Independence for Monmouth and Airlie	Leaves Airlie for Monmouth and Independence
7:30 a. m.	9:00 a. m.
8:30 p. m.	9:05 p. m.
Leaves Independence for Monmouth and Dallas	Leaves Dallas for Monmouth and Independence
11:00 a. m.	1:00 p. m.
6:15 p. m.	7:30 "
Leaves Monmouth for Airlie	Leaves Monmouth for Independence
7:30 a. m.	9:40 a. m.
8:30 p. m.	1:30 p. m.
	2:40 "
	5:45 "
	8:00 "
Leaves Monmouth for Dallas	Leaves Independence for Monmouth
11:20 a. m.	2:05 p. m. (CJ)
6:30 p. m.	