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Residents of Athena and vicinity have no excuse, none whatever, for passing the town up as a trading point. Sales now being conducted by Athena merchants are on just as large a scale and the prices lower if anything, than can be found in any of the towns and cities of the Inland Empire. With two closing out sales, the largest in the history of the town, in full swing, and other merchants and business men well prepared to satisfy all comers with assortment of stock and low prices, the prospects for a large volume of fall and winter trade in Athena, were never brighter. Athena storekeepers, in anticipation of a heavy buying season have met the signs of the times by purchasing mammoth stocks of goods. These stocks, as a rule, are expected to leave the shelves and storerooms and passing to the hands of the customer by the first of the new year, or by February 1, at the farthest. Athena has always held her own as a trading point and from the newspaper advertisements, price lists and circulars being distributed in adjacent towns and surrounding country, it is certain that the people are being educated to the fact that this year, as in other years, they do not need to go by here to find bargains and big stocks to select from.

People of the "East End" are beginning to realize that Athena merchants have just as large stocks; are in a position to sell as cheaply; do sell as cheap; do just as they advertise and conduct closing out sales on more legitimate lines than do outside merchants who, during the fall and winter months of each year, flood the streets and byways with gorgeous-colored circulars, quoting prices on cheap-john, remnant rubbish that wouldn't be given shelf room in a ten cent racket store. As an instance of this fact, it is stated that one of these outsiders sent a salesman to Athena last week with a bunch of printed matter and a "line of samples." The printed stuff was duly distributed and the "samples" displayed. Few indeed were the "takers," and the right guess would be that orders received did not amount to enough to pay for the cheap advertising circulars. There's more a-coming and they'll get their's, too.

The new flag of Sweden was unfurled November 1st. It is the same ensign used by that nation before its union with Norway nearly a hundred years ago. Sweden is to be congratulated upon its discretion in dealing with the dissolution of the union.

True, its course was the easy and sensible one; but how seldom in such cases do nations take the easy and sensible course. Nations, like individuals, are prone to mistake vanity and egotism for pride and self-respect, as Spain did in administering her colonies. Sweden and Norway have furnished an example by which other nations might profit.

Prince Louis of Battenberg was received by the American naval and civil authorities at Annapolis, Md., with effusive demonstrations of friendliness. While such festivities are to some extent matters of form, they are not altogether useless, as they promote a friendly feeling between the countries whose representatives indulge in champagne and mutual laudation.

Dr. Haanel has issued a report on asbestos in Canada, in which he says this country has become master of the field of export. The United States has been so far the largest buyer, while England, France, Germany and Italy and lately Russia buy large quantities of the crude and some of the better classes of the fibre. The industry began in 1880 when the value of exports was \$24,700; in 1894 the output had increased to \$1,154,546.

The Russian Railroads are tied up by the strikers. This is a tied in the affairs of an empire, sagely remarks George Brown, in his Iowa News-Letter, which taken at its flood, leads on to liberty or death. Even De Witte cannot dam the flood except profanely. He spells the word with an n on the end of the dam.

The wages of sin remain the same as heretofore, but frequently the sinner has to wait a long time to get what is coming to him.

An old man used a "want ad." to get a wife and then he paid \$50,000 to get rid of her. She will testify that "want ads." bring results.

Harry Liberty is in jail at Burlington, Vt., charged with stealing a horse. Somehow the pun suggested by his name doesn't come out right.

As Rockefeller says, money is not the only thing in the world. There are mumps, measles and banana skins.

A Chicago pugilist is writing popular songs. Prize fighting is a fearfully demoralizing pursuit.

Is the wave of murder now deluging Iowa due to the abolition of capital punishment?

**ROCKEFELLER'S CONFESSION.**  
(Chicago Chronicle.)

John D. Rockefeller is doing a great deal of talking in his old age and is incidentally shedding a great deal more light on his own principles and practices than even Miss Trabel did. Not content with talking, he has now taken up the pen also, and his maiden literary effort is an article contributed to the London Daily Mail entitled "How I Became the Richest Man in the World." In this article he candidly confesses that he got his first start in life by joining the church, the Sunday school and the Young Men's Christian Association, and inferentially by "working" the well to do people with whom his course brought him into contact. He urges all young men to join the church and Sunday School and the association for this purpose as the best possible start in making money and becoming rich. He says:

"The association in which I found occupation in church, in Sunday school and in the Young Men's Christ-

ian Association helped me more than I can tell you to make a beginning to get a position and the opportunity to begin my life work. I beg every young man not to put off identifying himself with the Christian church."

It is impossible to imagine anything more shocking to a sincerely religious person than this confession and this recommendation. It is perfectly true that a young man who belongs to a large city church in which there are many prosperous business men stands a good chance of getting a lift from some of them. It is also perfectly true that some young men profess religion and join the church with this object in view.

There is nothing new about this, but that "the richest man in the world," himself a great professor of godliness, should confess that he was guilty of this hypocrisy and then recommend young men to follow his example is both new and unspeakably revolting.

The hideousness of such advice is best seen in contrast with the teachings of Christ, whom Mr. Rockefeller claims to follow. According to Jesus the first step toward becoming his follower is to renounce all wealth and all aspirations after wealth and to sell out all present possessions and give the proceeds to the poor. Jesus taught that so far from gaining friends from a life of sincere piety it would raise up enemies and persecution on every hand, even in one's own family. If Mr. Rockefeller has found out some way by which a life of inflexible Christian principle will make a man popular and start him on the road to become "the richest man in the world" he has discovered something that his master never knew.

Supposing that Mr. Rockefeller were a sincere Christian himself and were to give advice to young men on the subject of riches and the relation of riches to piety he would speak somewhat as follows:

"As one who has been singularly successful in amassing wealth I solemnly caution young men against a passion for riches. If wealth comes without inordinate seeking it may be welcomed as a means of doing good, but there is nothing truer in holy writ than that the love of money is the root of all evil.

"The real riches are clean hands, an easy conscience and a soul at peace with God and man. I would give all I possess for one hour of the pure devotion that I knew when I was a child. If I could raise my voice so as to be heard by every young man in the world I would entreat him to give his heart to God, to lead a life of sincere piety, let it cost what it may, to forsake this world for the world to come and to lose his life that he may find it."

The trouble with Mr. Rockefeller is that he is a worshiper of mammon and is masquerading as a lover of God and a living example of Christian perfection.

If you are troubled with indigestion, constipation, sour stomach, or any other pain, Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well and keep you well. 35c. Tea or Tablets. Pioneer drug store.

**Son Lost Mother.**  
"Consumption runs in our family, and through it I lost my mother," writes E. B. Reid, of Harmony, Mo. "For the past five years, however, on the slightest sign of a cough or cold I have taken Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which has saved me from serious lung trouble." His mother's death was a sad loss for Mr. Reid but he learned that lung trouble must not be neglected, and how to cure it. Quickest relief and cure for colds. Price 50c and \$1. Guaranteed at the Palace drug store. Trial bottle free.

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**OREGON SHORT LINE**  
UNION PACIFIC  
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Through Pullman standard and sleeping cars daily to Omaha, Chicago; tourist sleeping car daily to Kansas City; through Pullman tourist sleeping cars, personally conducted, weekly to Chicago, with free reclining chair cars, seats free, to the east daily from Pendleton.

ARRIVE Daily.	TIME SCHEDULES ATHENA, ORE.	DEPART Daily.
4:55 p. m.	Fast Mail for Pendleton, LaGrande, Baker City, and all points east via Huntington, Ore. Also for Umatilla, Heppner, The Dalles, Portland, Astoria, Willamette Valley, Tacoma, Seattle, all Sound Points.	6:55 p. m.
9:42 a. m.	Walla Walla, Dayton, Fomeroy, Lewiston, Colfax, Pullman, Moscow, the Corner d'Alene district, Spokane and all points north.	9:42 a. m.
8:05 a. m.	Special daily walla walla to Pendleton intermediate points	8:05 a. m.
6:25 p. m.	Special daily from Pendleton to Walla Walla & Int. points	6:25 p. m.

M. W. Smith Agent, Athena.

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With the prosperity of our town and to make it possible for Athena people to purchase

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Only best work is turned out by us, and if you have never tried our work send us a trial order. Our superior facilities, our modern machinery, and our experienced help, make a uniformity of goodness in all laundry that comes from us.  
**SEND US THAT NEXT BUNDLE.**  
Our wagon will call for and deliver the work to you in the superior manner which in Pendleton it is for us only to do.

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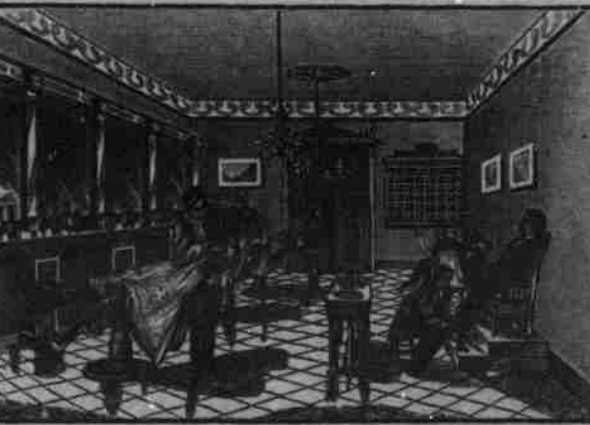
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