New Fancy Metal Velvets for Waists and new cotton and wool Oxford waistings at 50c 75c and $1.00 per yard.

A lot of Neckwear, correct styles from the best of makers, is displayed in our neckwear case.

Pillow Covers, some original designs, 50c to $1.00.

Facinators and Wool Shawls. A very attractive lot displayed on our tables at prices from 50c to $4.00

Genuine American Cut Glass, tumblers, finger bowls, dishes, etc

Haveland China, some new choice patterns in decorated ware

S. E. YOUNG & SON

THE BAZAAR

Early Buyers Make the Best Selections.

Those who do their Holiday buying early get the cream of the Holiday offerings. This week our Holiday stocks are complete and at their best. The choicest novelties the markets afford are being displayed in pleasing array for easy seein [illegible] ing.

Our assortmens are larger and better than ever, easily discounting anything of the kind Albany has ever seen. Prudent, wide-awake gift-buyers make their selections early—before the best things are picked over. You can safely follow their example and do your Heliday buying early.

Come and see each departments respective displays.

Come Early and Often.

L. E. & H. J HAMILTON

You Will Have to Hurry-------

For Christmas is coming soon. Our line of Holiday Goods this season surpasses anything we have ever attempted before. The line embraces a beautiful line of Egyptian statuary, Egyptian Pottery and wall hangers, fancy framed pictures, dressing cases, toilets sets, collor and cuff boxes, handkerchief boxes, mirrors, shaving sets, the latest in leather goods, and the swellest line of perfumery ever brought to the city, fancy atomizers. High quality goods at low prices. You are invited to see them.

Burkhart & Lee.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Frank Power, of Portland, is on a visit with his father W. M. Power.

Mayor Jones, of Jefferson, came up this noon to attend the Elks show tonight.

The nine who left last Friday for Klamath Falls, were to arrive home this afternoon.

Miss Estella Robinson, of Eugene, returned home this noon, after a visit with Albany friends.

C N. McArthur, of Rickerall, the famous foot ball expert, went through town for Eugene this afternoon.

Judge Benson and District Attorney Brown returned this noon from Toledo, where they held a short session of circuit cour

Mr. Louis Knowlton, of the S. P. office, went to Salem this morning to remain during the rush of business always caused by a session of the state legislature.

John S. Caldwell, of Lebanon, started, for Sawtelle, Calif. today. His bicycle wrapped in varied colored cloth, for the occasion, attracted some attention in the baggage room.

Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges, E. Cook Patton, and Messrs. Ristine, Ofrane, Snyder and Chase, of Salem, arrived this noon to take part in the big Elks show tonight.

Capt. J. M. Williams, one of Eugene's leading lawyers, was in the city to-day. Mr. Williams has the distinction of having been beaten for school superintendent of Linn county a good many years ago.

Miss Edith Greenwalt, of Portland, is in the city on a visit the guest of Mr. D. P. Mason and family. Her many friends here will be glad to know that she will become a p rmanent resident of the city next spring.

Prof. Hawley, who has been confined to his bed at his home in Salem, is reported better. For some time he had been preparing for an examination for the degree of Dr. of Philosophy, overdoing the study along certain lines resulting in nervous prostration. He will come to Albany in a few days for recuperation at the Geisendorfer home.

The members of St. John's lodge A. F. & A. M. last night held one of their most successful banquets, enjoyed by a large number of Masons from here and elsewhere. The banquet was served by T. C. Bloomer and was complimented by all for its arrangement, service and the fine menu. With D. P. Mason as toastmaster informal toasts were responded to by Judge Wolverton, Prof. Cox, Rev. Knott Hon. J. K. Weatherford, G. A. Westgate and Rev. McLean, and Mr. Hermann Hull was heard in a well rendered recitation.

Was the Letter Opened.

A letter received by Capt. F. C. Stellmacher from Gen. Finzer, was said to have been opened, and afterwards pasted together. Upon inquiry from Gen. Finzer it was learned that it must have been done after it left him. It was stamped at the Albany office on the 11th at 7 a. m. and received by Mr. Stellmacher in the evening. The letter has been placed in the hands of the officials at Portland for investigation. It is not probable that it will ever be learned how it was opened.

Upon inquiry at the post office the DEMOCRAT received the statement from Postmaster Train, who had investigated the matter, that there was nothing in it so far as this office is concerned. The letter was stamped and placed in the box in the morning, at the time two other large letters being held for excess of postage, and all were taken by a sister of Capt. Stellmacher during the afternoon. That the letter remained in the box and there was no indication of its being tampered with.

The above is both sides of the matter.

Epworth League Officers.

On Monday evening the Epworth League of the Methodist Church held their monthly business meeting at the church and elected the following officers for the ensuing term.

President—Dr. C. V. Littler.
First Vice-President—Joseph H. Ralston.
Second Vice-President—Mary H. Montanye.
Third Vice-President—Mollie Bray.
Fourth Vice-President—Ella Meade.
Secretary—Garnett R. Wells.
Treasurer—Harmon Hull.
Pianist—Helen Elkins.
Chorister—Eva O. Hammer.

The Presbyterian church was filled this afternoon on the occasion of the funeral of Miss Helena Viereck. The members of the two lodges W. O. W. and the barbers of the city attended in bodies. Rev Griswold preached the sermon.

WANTED.—A girl to do general house work. Call at the residence of Mrs. N. H. Wheeler.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Circuit court

Judge Burnett convened an adjourned session to try the case of Mary Ann Powers agt S. B. Powers, to set aside a deed. Fifteen or twenty witnesses are present. Hewitt & Sox are attorneys for the plaintiff and M. E. Pogue, and P. R. Kelley, for the defendant.

A new case is Chas. B. Green agt. Ruth B. Green, for divorce, W. M. Brown attorney for the plaintiff. The complaint charges the defendant of securing title to his property and then refusing to live with him.

Patent filed by Alonzo Ames.

IN AND AROUND ALBANY.

Home-made mince meat, The Sugar Bowl.

S E Young & Sons Store will be open till 9 o'clock p. m. till Christmas.

All of the stores of the city will be kept open evenings until after Christmas

W. N. Price today shipped several pens of fine fowls to the poultry show at Salem.

Mrs. Adams 314 Ferry St. has patterns of pretty little articles you can make for Christmas.

Wanted, one or two gentlemen to join a beginning class in German Conversation. M. Sikes, 223 Broadalbin St.

The House Furnishing Co. will be pen evenings, commencing Dec. 12th, till after the Holiday season.

Take a course in French Conversation. A new class is going to begin in January. M. Sikes 223 Broadylbin St.

Give your children a chance to learn German. Young People's Class, Saturday 9 a. m. M. Sikes 223 Broadalbin St.

Social dance Saturday evening at Woodmen of World hall. Music by Marks orchestra of four pieces.

You are invited to attend the special evangelistic meetings at the Congregational church tonight. Supt O. F. Clapp will preach.

E. E. Warford brought with him from his Siletz claim a remarkable root, which he dug up while grubbing. It was from a hemlock, a small tender root, measuring 97 feet in length.

The new alternating arc light at the corner of First and Ellsworth streets received a downfall last night. Frank Purdom driving too close to the pole struck the spool knocking it down, and the lamp followed suit, being smashed to pieces.

The Thursday musical club will hold its monthly musical next Friday evening at the Alco Club rooms. Each associate member has the privilege of inviting one friend. Mr Arthur Louis Frazer of Eugene will be an attractive feature of the program.

New Furniture Firm.

Bob M. Miller and N. D. Pratt, two prominent young men of Halsey, and A. M. Reeves, whose success in the mercantile business in this city has attracted attention, have formed a partnership and purchased the furniture stock and business of Bruckman & Conn, which they will hereafter run. They will purchase a first-class stock and enlarge and push the business.

A Proposed New Track,

The horse men, foot ball men, field meet students and other men have began arrangements for the enlargement of the present base ball grounds large enough for a half mile track, well enclosed, suitable for many purposes. A splendid movement that should be encouraged.

How Long Will It Burn.

The big candle in Burkhart & Lee's show window will be lighted at 6 o'clock and will burn day and night until entirely gone. Every one will be entitled to one free guess each day on length of time it will burn. The one that guesses the nearest shall receive a $15.00 mandolin, next nearest a $10.00 picture, next $5.00 dressing case, next $3.00 statue, next $2.00 mirror, next $1.00 bottle perfumery. All free. Come and guess each day. BURKHART & LEE.

TO-NIGHT.

Following is the program for the Elks' Big Purple Show to night.

PART I.

Overture—Orchestra.
"Mandaline"—Miss Lulu Jones.
"Winsome Wimine—Sextette.
Hypnotic Experiments.—F. Cook Patton.

PART II.

Overture.
"Spring Song" Wiel—Miss Kathleen Jones.
"Down in a Deep Mine," Judd—Geo. Snyder.
"Musical Farce"—Ristine Bros, assisted by Paul Ofrance.
"May Morning," Denza—Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges.

PART III.

Overture.
Politics Up-to-Date, "Colonel Corker," arranged for this occasion by Charles H. Burgraf. Cast of characters—Colonel Corker, C. H. Burggraf; Brassy Gall, grafter, Neil Murray; Abraham Crackerjack, a statesman, Sam Dolan; politicians—Gen. Yell, S. A. Whitney; Maj. Bragg, Geo. Rolfe; Col. Blow, Ben Clelan; I. M. Innet, secretary, Wm. Eagles. Dollie Sweet, Miss Ura Daisy.

Synopsis of Scenes—Time, present; scene 1, Sweet Home, Oregon; scene 2, State Street, Salem; scene 3, Corker's rooms, Hotel Lamerette, natives, politicians and musicians.

IN ALBANY.

F E Edwards, Corvallis.
O J Shedd, Shedd.
W B Bowser, Bruce.
L Lewman, Bruce.
Hon J M Shelley, Eugene.
W H Souls, Portland.
A L Clarke, Portland.
Viva Baltimore, Spicer.
C E Soule and wf and Mrs Carrie Kaine, Lacomb.
R T Watkins, Portland.
W H Moore Everett Ingram, Soda-ville.
W F White, Detroit.
H R Sherell, Harrisburg.
J A Ferry, Eugene.
G B Kent, Fallon, Wash.
J C Davis, W B McCormick, F Ackerman, J C Brown, E L McCormick, Shedd.
J D Sutherland, Salem.
Ed Wade, Toledo.
Harrp W Clarke, Portland.
A G Hinkle, Leona.
A C Wheeler, Coburg.
B C Irvine, Portland.
H N Pritchard, Portland.

CANNED FRUIT for sale, cheap. 100 two quart jars, wild blackberries strawberries and cherries, and also tomatoes. If possible would like to sell entire lot in lump. Address G. F. Brown, R. F. D. 4.

Dolls Cheap

The town is flooded with DOLLS for that reason we offer the following prices, with the same low prices on all large dolls:

14 inch Best Kid Body Dolls, Bisque heads..... 25c
17 " " " " " " " 50c
20 " " " " " " " 65c
Fancy Dressed Dolls..... 25c

$10.00 Doll Free.

See the beauty in our East Window and get particulars in the DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

IMPORTED CHINA

Beautiful decorated patterns for Xmas Presents.

HANDKERCHIEFS

501 Handkerchiefs in plain hemstitched, embroidereda and Lace trimmed every one worth 15 to 20c. Our Xmas price

5c to 10c each

SALES ON WAISTINGS

Your choice of all $2.75 beautiful Mercerized and Oxfords Waisting FOR ONLY $1.98 pattern.

SHOES

Make a good useful Xmas present and during our Xmas Sale we will make big reductions on all our popular priced Shoes. 100 styles of our popular $2.50 and $3.00 Shoes for $2.25. Ten pair to one of any Shoe store in the valley.

USEFUL PRESENTS FOR THE MEN FOLKS

TIES, MUFFLERS, SWEATERS, SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, HATS, HOUSE SLIPPERS and for instance a nice Suit of Clothes.

REEVES

Department Store.

Good Holiday Goods

at F. G. WILL'S.

Watches, Clocks, Diamond goods, Rings, fine Silverware, Cut Glass and all the latest novelties in jewelry. A choice stock to select from.

F. M. French Jeweler

Merry Christmas 1903 Happy New Year 1904

We can take care of the Christmas buyers this year better than ever before. Our display of SILVER WARE is the finest ever shown in the city.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

It's queer to us why parents don't think oftener what a nice presents a Suit or Overcoat makes for child, boy or man. Our stock is attractive this season. The we have other things in abundance, such as

Neckwear, Shoes, Socks, Handkerchiefs, Smoking Jackets, Slippers, Suspenders, etc. that are gifts of real value

The Blain Clothing Co.