#### W. C. CALDER SELLS OUT

# W. H. Hobson Now Owns the Big Red Front Store.

W. C. Calder, who has so successfully conducted the general merchandise business at the Red Front store since March, 1899, building it up from a small country stock to its present magnitude, has transferred his entire interest and good will in the business to the Hon. W. H. Hobson, state senator, and one of the best known men in Oregon, politically, socially and financially, and especially in Masonic circles.

The business will be managed locally by Jesse Hobson, formerly in the same business at Newberg, Oregon, and later of Portland, where he represented Charles Scribner's Sons Publishing company. He will, of course, make Sumpter his home.

E. E. Wishard, former wheat buyer and in charge of the warehouse business of Balfour, Guthrie & Co. at Arlington, Oregon, will have charge of the office and books of the new house, but no other changes are anticipated in the old force of employes, unless to add more help as the business requires.

Mr. Calder gives up the general merchandise business that he may devote his entire time and attention to the Sumpter Townsite Company, Limited, of which he is secretary and treasurer and a heavy stockholder. In retiring from the Red Front store, he desires to thank his many friends and patrons for the liberal support given him in his effort to conduct a firstclass, up-to-date establishment, and assures the public that, knowing his successors well, they will continue to sell the same high grade of groceries, carry everything in the line of miners' clothing, shoes, men' furnishings, and that the line of dry goods will be increased second to none in eastern Oregon.

## Friday Night Dancing Party.

Ellis' opera house hall was the scene of a pleasant dancing party last Friday evening, which inaugurated the first of a series of twice a month dances intended for the entertainment of those in Sumpter who care to spend a pleasant evening among friends in this way. The affair was one of the most enjoyable of the kind held this season, and the next one of Friday, February 9, will be looked forward to with pleasure by the present and new members who will come in before that date. The next regular meeting of the club will not be held, a play by local talent being billed for that evening.

### Dissolution of the Bellenger-Ritchie Co.

The Bellenger-Ritchie company has been dissolved, T. D. Bellinger absorbing Ocean steamers leave every 5 days for the interest held by Fred Ritchie in the Magnolia saloon. The establishment will hereafter be conducted under the firm name of T. D. Bellinger & Co.

### For Sale.

Desirable home property. Call on Mrs. L. Hunstock, Cracker street.

German socks and rubbers at Calder's Red Front store.

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