

Hood River Glacier.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1899.

Christmas, the glad time for the little folks, and when everybody feels at peace with his neighbor and the rest of mankind, is at hand. The problem of giving presents, the kind most suitable for your friends, is now the leading question to distract the generous minded. If your selections are things useful you cannot go far amiss. Our home merchants are well prepared to meet the demand for all necessary and useful Christmas presents. The GLACIER will assist the prudent buyer of Christmas goods by mentioning the dealers in certain lines of goods. Begin with us at the head of the business street. First comes the well-known house of Dallas & Spangler. Everybody who comes to town has occasion to call on Dallas, and therefore it is hardly necessary to add that all have seen that excellent cooking range that would gladden the heart of the housewife more than anything in the shape of a Christmas present. Next comes the GLACIER office. Think what an acceptable present a year's subscription to the home paper would be to an absent friend or relative. And before going any further on your rounds to seek presents for your friends, ask yourself if you are square with the printer. If you find you are not, walk into the GLACIER office and settle up, and we can assure you the printer will be as thankful to receive what is due him as any recipient of your most generous gifts. It is well to remember that no man can conscientiously make costly gifts if he has unpaid bills; he would be spending money not his own. Next to the GLACIER office is the Hood River Pharmacy, where you will find displayed in neat array, besides drugs, the most tempting goods for Christmas presents, such as perfumery, toilet articles, etc. Next comes the large general merchandise store of Rand & Stewart, where you will find a big stock from which to select useful presents for home or those deserving charity. Herman Everhart's store comes next, with a well-assorted stock of groceries, from which you can select something for the Christmas dinner. Up stairs, at the Emporium, you can secure one or two of those desirable lots in the Barrett-Simpson addition, before the price is advanced Jan. 1st. Chas. Riggs will take your photo in a studio that will please the old folks back in the "States." The Racket Store man don't you forget, will show you goods in his line that will prove most acceptable Christmas presents. Next door, C. Welds, the pioneer shoemaker, can fix your shoes or gum boots so that it will not be necessary to treat yourself to a new pair before spring. At W. E. Sherrill's you will find new designs in furniture and house furnishing goods. Up stairs, Dr. C. T. Cars, the dentist, will be found ready to make that new set of teeth promised yourself or your wife for a Christmas present. Chas. Tempel, next door, deals in watches and jewelry, goods always in demand at Christmas time. Then comes the People's Store, where it will not be difficult to find goods to suit yourself or friends. The window display at the People's Store is attractive for seekers after something nice for Christmas. At the new store of S. H. Cox, presided over by Mrs. Harwood, you will find something to please old and young, in the way of millinery, dry goods, toys, notions and candies. At Bone & McDonald's general merchandise store will be found a big stock of goods, from which can be selected useful and substantial presents for self or friend. S. J. LaFrance's store is well stocked with a class of goods most suitable for the holiday trade. Santa Claus outfit at this store in his lines of best grades of Christmas presents. A. S. Blowers & Son, in their new brick, show their large stock of goods to good advantage. This store will catch a fair share of the holiday trade. Geo. P. Crowell's general merchandise store is well stocked with goods of a description that will meet the wants of those looking for bargains in useful holiday presents. W. B. Cole's confectionery will supply your needs in candies most delicious, home-made and imported. At Reciprocity Corner you can procure your Christmas turkey, which should be ordered in time; also, the choicest meats for Christians and other good things. Mr. Bonney will spare no expense to make his place attractive during the holidays. The GLACIER Pharmacy comes next, where you will find an excellent stock of toilet articles and other goods that are always in demand for Christmas presents. S. E. Bartness, the pioneer furniture dealer, has choice articles in his line that will delight the most fastidious recipient of a Christians present. John Built comes last on the list, at the end of your round, down one side of the street and up the other. He is in the harness and bike repair business, in which you might desire something for Christmas. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Remember the deserving poor in your beneficence, and your reward will be in the knowledge that you have accomplished good.

The GLACIER this week contains a communication giving some pointers in the poultry business from one who is capable of giving good advice in this line. Others are requested to write of their experiences, and the GLACIER will be glad to give them space. An interchange of opinions and experiences will be beneficial. There is something to be made in keeping a few hens on the farm. If you have a range of eight or ten acres 50 hens can be kept to good advantage. Fifty hens will not bring as much income as a good cow, but they will help materially in providing for a family, furnishing eggs and fowl for the table at all seasons if properly managed. No more than 50 hens should be kept on a farm in Hood River—25 would be a better number and probably more profitable. There are times when it be-

comes necessary to pen up the chickens to save crops of fruit, grain and garden vegetables from their depredations. The least number of chickens you have at this time the better. When chickens are kept for the profit there is in eggs at the market price, 50 hens are enough. If you go above this number you are more likely to lose than gain. Those who succeed best in the poultry business keep thoroughbred stock and sell eggs only for hatching at an advanced price. Those who bear of who have succeeded in making big money off chickens in large numbers always live a long way off. You never hear of any of your neighbors getting rich in the chicken business. Some will tell you there is money in the chicken business—they put it there themselves but have never been able to get it out.

The Northwest Herald of Portland suspended publication last week. The proprietor announces that the paper will resume after the first of the new year, when he will issue a daily. Over-pressure of business is given as the cause of suspension—too much prosperity—something never before heard of in the history of journalism. But then a journal like the Herald was never before heard of. It was ably edited and gotten up in a style new to the craft and the reading public. The editor had a vocabulary extraordinary—his big words seemed to be first selected and sentences constructed to fit them. For a paper that posed as the "organ" of the democratic party, the Herald could hardly be expected to make much progress towards healing the breach in that party by its uncalled-for abuse of Grover Cleveland, a man who, though out of politics, is a more consistent representative of his party's principles than any of the so-called democrats who continue to assault him.

The Boers are proving themselves to be a brave and chivalrous people, worthy of their independence of Great Britain or any other nation that may seek to teach them how to make laws to govern those who come among them only to gather the precious metals. The terrible reverses suffered by the British armies at the hands of the Boer forces teaches England that she has a foe more to be feared than any she has tackled since she undertook to quell the revolt in her thirteen colonies in America. All England is in mourning over the loss of the flower of the British army in Africa. Queen Victoria, whose voice has always been for peace, but who has no voice in the diplomatic affairs of her kingdom, is overwhelmed with grief for the fallen on both sides. Americans generally sympathize with the Boers in their desperate struggle for the life of their republic.

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