

Yes! We've Leased the Old White Corner

A good move, you say? Of course! Just now it seems to us it's pre-eminently the building for

Salem's Best Store

Therefore we have secured it. It's not much for looks just now, compared with modern buildings, but when Contractors Erb & Van Patton get through with it and turn over to us the

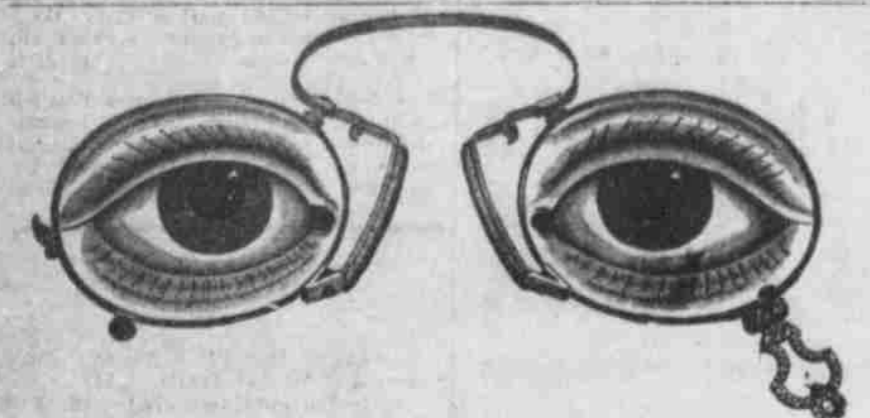
New White Corner

It will be different. "Up-to-date" in every respect will describe it excellently without further explanation.

Here's Where You Profit

It costs money to move goods and we prefer to pay our customer for moving them rather than draymen, hence from this day we will sacrifice everything in the store at removal sale prices. The greatest Removal Sale in Salem's history.

Holverson's THE BIG BARGAIN HOUSE OF SALEM



Spectacles and Eyeglasses for Christmas Presents

This is one of the most useful and acceptable presents made for persons needing glasses to aid their sight. We have an immense stock this year, and prices to suit all hearts and purses.

We will retail with the latest improved instruments, all glasses purchased for Christmas presents after the holidays with our improved instrument free of charge. We are better able to supply you with these necessary goods than ever before, and now carry the most complete stock in the state.

Chas. H. Hinges

Watchmaker, Diamond Setter and Optician.

Next Door to Holverson's.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

JOHN F. CORDRAY, Manager.

Saturday Evening Dec. 22.

The One Standard Dramatic Attraction of Western America.

T. DANIEL FRAWLEY

And his company, presenting the greatest play ever written by an American Author.

"SECRET SERVICE"

A Romance of the Confederacy by William Gillette.

PRICES: 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Seats reserved.

THE WEATHER.

Official government forecast for Friday night and Saturday, fair and cooler.

Wheat Market.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Cash 96 1/2, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—May, 73 1/2, Salem, 60.

GOLD DUST FLOUR

MADE BY The Sidnev Power Co. SALEM, OREGON.

Made for family use, ask your grocer for a Bran and shorts always on hand.

A. T. WALN, AGENT. PHONE 61.

A No. 1, Dry 4 foot Fir wood \$2.75 a cord.

Also sawed wood and cedar posts.

D. S. BENTLEY & CO. Phone 301 319 Front St.

NEW TODAY.

Advertisements under this head 5c a line each issue.

FOR A GOOD TIME—Attend mask ball by A. O. U. W. Lodge at Mackay. Musical orchestra. Elegant lunch to be served in hall. 12 21 31

HOLLY—A fine lot of well berried holly, also holly wreaths will be made at Avenue Green houses, early orders will prevent disappointment. 12 21 21

A GOOD ROCKER—For \$1.25 at Buren & Hamilton's.

New Fruit. Our supply of new fruit for Christmas is coming to hand daily the best of fresh oranges, lemons and confectionery at Strong's Restaurant.

OUR LINE—Of bedroom suits is the best we have shown.—Buren & Hamilton.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS

We especially recommend our Blue and Red Ribbon Brands for their excellence in quality and flavor.

Table Fruits... Vegetables...

Delicacies... We solicit your inspection on the above goods as to price and quality. Give us your order and you will be made thus pleased with our method of doing business.

ROTH & GRABER Cash Store, Phone 511, 124 State St.

\$1.00

EASTMAN BROWNIE CAMERA

For the amateurs, price \$1.00 This makes an instructive and interesting Xmas present. A full line of cameras and supplies.

FRY'S DRUG STORE

Depot for genuine celluloid goods, new and elegant perfumery that smell like the flowers. Prices low. Come and see.

DEMANDS ON CHINA Presented Without Chance of an Alternative,

LI HUNG CHANG HARD TO MATCH

The Very Effectiv Argument Put up By a Column of German Troops.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Von Walderssee says: "Gundell's column successfully encountered a force of Boxer December 14th at Yung Ling, near the eastern Imperial tomb. Fifteen Boxers were killed. A thousand Chinese who remain under Fang do Ling have driven out Latai.

London, Dec. 21.—"All the governments have approved the British amendment" says the Peking correspondent of the Morning Post and the demands will be presented to the Chinese plenipotentiaries without any suggestion of an alternative.

"On many grounds the Germans are gaining a worse reputation for severity than the Russians ever had. The country is practically in a defenseless state moreover because Count Von Walderssee will not allow Chinese troops to do anything and the foreign troops are absent or engaged in looting.

"It is stated that about 10 days ago the German troops visited Tung Chung and shot 60 Imperial troops who were engaged in surprising Boxers and also killed 30 other Chinese including three converts. They took 200 prisoners including 30 natives attached to the Anglican mission.

"In consequence of an appeal from the magistrates however the prisoners were liberated in return for the payment of twenty thousand taels. This punitive expedition was in defiance of the understanding that no such measures should be taken pending the negotiations. The Germans are said to have looted the place."

Peking, Dec. 21.—Yesterday's meeting of the foreign envoys was protracted and somewhat stormy, owing to the desire to discover who discloses to the Chinese what every minister has pledged to keep secret. Li Hung Chang invariably knows within two hours after the close of a meeting what has occurred.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Instructions were sent today to Congress, at Peking, to sign an agreement, which, according to Peking advices, already has been signed by all the other ministers at the Chinese capital. This instruction is sent with some reluctance, because the agreement as it now stands does not completely represent the view of United States Government. But it is believed no favorable compromise could be reached unless negotiations are to be drawn out to dangerous length, for all reports indicate a growing spirit of unrest in China.

Major Count Wallin Esterhazy, who figured so prominently in the Dreyfus case, has sunk into utter misery. He divorced his wife's suit against her mother, the Marquise de Betancourt, for an allowance, on the ground that she is in profound distress and unable to support or educate her young daughters, brings forth the following letter written by the Major to his wife:

"I have been unable to write to my children recently, not having the money to buy a postage stamp. I am at the last extremity of strength, courage and resources. I have not eaten for two days until this morning in the work house. I have no clothes, am shivering with cold and am compelled to warm myself by entering churches and museums.

"Everyone will say this is a confession of guilt, but you can say I am killing myself because, after having struggled to the utmost of my courage my voice is stifled by my persecutors. Without bread, home or clothing I shall die of privation or of a kind of revolver which everything is good order.

"Kiss my children. Tell them I adore them and if a frightful fatality has precipitated me into an abyss, if I die the victim of human cowardice I never committed the crime whereof I am accused by scoundrels in order to save themselves." Esterhazy's letter is dated from London.

YEW PARK MEAT MARKET

Headquarters for the best meat and lard in the city. Give us a call and see how well we can please you. Prompt and careful attention to all orders. Phone 2463, 251, 252.

F. G. BOWERSOX, PROP'R

OMAHA POLICE SUSPECT CROWE

OMAHA, Dec. 21.—It is stated this morning that Pat Crowe, well known to local police circles, is the man whom the police suspect of being the leader of the gang who abducted Edward Cudaly Tuesday night. Officers are looking for Crowe, but he has not been arrested.

The police and detectives are inclined to believe that men not well acquainted with the city and the surrounding country would not have been able to manage the affair as it was carried on. For this reason they are searching for several local men known to bear a bad reputation.

You Cudaly is none the worse for his experience, and among other things he learned from his captors was some of their plans. One of them said to him: "Do you know," he asked, "that we have been watching that house for you out there for the last two months? Well, we have. What we really wanted was to get one of the little girls—your sisters, have we not got a chance. If you had become desperate, and determined to take the bull by the horns and nab 'em."

Late last night Mr. Cudaly announced he would pay \$25,000 reward for the apprehension of the abductors of his son, \$500 for one or \$1500 for two of them.

An extra force of Pinkertons arrived this morning and were put to work on the case. Cudaly this morning confirmed the offer of reward of \$5,000 for the arrest of the abductors.

ASPHALT MINES CONTRACT ANNULLED

New York, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Herald from Caracas says: "The decree annulling that the New York and Bermudez Company's concession that was founded by Garmon and entitling the company to mine all the asphalt in the State of Venezuela for 25 years is annulled and that the titles to the asphalt mines issued in 1888 are invalid.

The decree aims at depriving the company of its rights and properties. President Castro recognizes two titles which cover a large portion of the company's asphalt land and which were granted to a group of native officials and promoters.

The native capitalists recently sold these titles while proceedings for their nullification were pending to American speculators who have induced President Castro after much diplomacy to issue the decree against the New York and Bermudez Company.

In the opinion of many Venezuelan lawyers the decree is unconstitutional. Many persons will be out of work if the decree is enforced. The New York and Bermudez Company is the largest American interest in Venezuela.

It has a large amount of capital at stake and will not surrender possession of the asphalt fields. It has just erected the largest asphalt refinery in the world.

The company has had percent possession of the property for more than twelve years. The action of President Castro is regarded here as a raid of vested rights.

DIRECT STEAMSHIPS WANTED TO MANILA

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—San Francisco merchants will try to obtain direct steamship communication between this port and Manila. The San Francisco Board of Trade has petitioned the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to run their vessel to Manila.

An alternative it has been suggested that a line of steamers be chartered to connect at Hong Kong with the Pacific Mail and carry Philippine freights. The present arrangement is unsatisfactory to the merchants at Manila who do business with San Francisco.

Goods in transit which have been broken into while in the storehouses. The Manila merchants subjected to delay and loss, for which there is no redress, have written letters to San Francisco threatening to do business solely with places connected by direct lines to Manila.

HOW DEWET'S ARMY MADE ITS ESCAPE

ROBENSTON, Dec. 21.—Details of Dewet's escape from the encircling British columns December 12 show that it was one of the boldest incidents of the war.

When Dewet prepared to breakthrough the British columns at Springhank Neck pass, a magnificent spectacle was presented. The whole Boer army of 2500 men started at a gallop in open order through the Neck.

President Steyn and Petit Fourie led the charge and Dewet brought up the rear. The whole maneuver was a piece of magnificent daring, and its success was complete.

MERCHANT SHIP EDMUND AGROUND

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Latest advices received by the Merchant's Exchange in regard to the grounding of the merchant ship Edmund on a bench a mile south of Santa Rosalia on November 28, are to the effect that Captain Gordon had hopes of saving her. The Edmund has 1500 tons of sand ballast. She was bound out for Oregon.

A BIG JUDGMENT WON BY THE BELL

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21.—Justice Colt, in United States Circuit Court, today decided in favor of the American Bell Telephone Company in the royalty suit brought by the Western Union Telegraph Company. The amount involved is \$12,000,000.

FACTORY BURNED AT HANOVER, ONT

HANOVER, Ont., Dec. 21.—The Knechel Company's furniture factory, the largest furniture factory in Canada, has been burned. The fire spread to adjoining buildings, causing a loss of \$375,000.

MARRIED.

OGLE—PICKETT.—In this city Dec. 21, 1900, by Rev. John Parsons J. D., George Pickett and Pearl W. Ogle, Both of Multnomah County, and they will reside in Albany.

OUR STORE

OFFER EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK FROM NOW ON UNTIL CHRISTMAS

And we will still continue to show our elegant line of

ROCHES BOOK CASES

STAND TABLES CHINA CLOSETS

LADIES' DESKS SIDING BOARDS

And picture mouldings especially ordered for the holiday trade. Let us show you a few of our holiday bargains and convince you that we can save you money on this line of goods as we have no holiday prices.

F. W. HOLLIS & CO

Low priced Furniture House.

SPECIAL

A Storeful of Christmas 20 per cent. off

Until Christmas, on any article in our mammoth crockery and glassware department. This sale includes the largest and most beautiful assortment of holiday goods ever shown in Salem.

M. T. RINEMAN, 132 State Street, Telephone 131

NEW ELECTRIC ELEVATOR HERE

Just Arrived for Use in the McCormack Block.

The newest invention in the way of an electric elevator has been secured by Mr. McCormack for his remodeled opera house block. It is now being put in at the rear of the immense Meyers & Sons store rooms, and will be so constructed as to be used from both sides, thus making it available for the store as well as the new Masonic hall. It will be operated from the basement up, having a special attendant, thus accommodating four floors.

Look Over the Holiday Goods at the New York Racket. Store open evenings until 8 o'clock. 19 411 wt.

ENTRE NOUS CLUB PARTY

The Entre Nous Club gave another of their very delightful dancing parties Wednesday night at the Tioga Hall. There was a splendid orchestra and such lovely patronesses as Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Sroat, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hertz. The following young people voted it another success and are looking forward to the next one, Jan. 2, 1901, with great pleasure: Misses Carrie Willis, Maud McKay, Gertrude and Leona Hirsch, Ethel Knight, Stella and Remon Holland, Angie Schindler, Allie Crossman, Maud Bundlett, Rosalie Friendly, of Eugene, Emily Thatcher, Nina Damon, Mr. and Mrs. Thomson of Derry, Messrs John Roberts, C. D. Jessup, Ralph Glover, John Cochran, Harry Olinger, Harry Albert, Chas. Bishop, Edward Thibson, Edward Crawford, Chas. Bier, Coleridge McElroy, Joe Evans, Wm. C. Taylor, W. Clayton of Portland, O. V. Allen, Roy Barton, O. Rundlett, Aro Crossman, Ed. Shinn.

The Modern Mother. Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it builds them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

WISE STILL HELD IN \$5,000 BAIL

Judge Boise decided that the question of excessive bail could not properly be brought by a writ of habeas corpus and that the matter properly belonged to Department No. 1 of the court.

You Can Surely Find Something you want for presents at the New-York Racket—Salem's cheapest one-price cash store. Store open evenings for holiday trade. 10 411 wt

CASH!

For Christmas Trade

Until Christmas, I will make a special cash price on my finest Grand Rotaries and Cabinet Rotaries. These are the finest machines on the market, and I have a good assortment. Come and let me save you some money.

Second-hand machines, all prices. New machines from \$15 up. Needles, oil and parts for all machines.

F. A. WIGGINS, 407 Commercial St. Cash, 2 lbs. 25 cents.

PATTON BROS.

Have no time to write their advertisements, and in fact hardly time to eat.

THEY ARE BUSY

Filling the wants of the various holiday shoppers from their elegant holiday stock of superb novelties.

PATTON'S BOOK STORE

Americans Settle With Turkey On Christmas Day

Until they are busy looking up all the toys and pretty things they can find for every member of the family, Dalbey's Fair Store is the busiest place in town, for this very reason. Can't get clerks enough.

Say, young man! Do you want to be strictly up-to-date? Get your lady friend a Malona's or some other framed picture Baren & Hamilton can please you.

10 Per Cent Reduction Sale. From now till Christmas we will give a 10 per cent reduction on everything in the store. Remember we carry a very select line of goods. All china and glassware at wholesale cost.

M. E. FRASER.

PARLOR ROCKERS—In bright leather and strictly up-to-date. See those we show in our north windows.—Baren & Hamilton.

Remember Shoes. And clothing when you're thinking of holiday presents. The New York Racket is the place to buy them. 19 411 wt

The "Angus" Orchestra. The greatest and most perfect automatic piano player in the world, acknowledged so by Paderowski, Danrosch, etc., is on exhibition in the Willamette Hotel parlors.

Also the world famous "Crown" piano, the only one with many tones, which instrument enables you to play beside the piano, the harp, the banjo, the guitar and a full mandolin orchestra at an instant's change of pedals.

This famous piano has also the practice clavier, which device enables you to practice without making the slightest noise.

We are here to introduce these wonderful instruments to Salem and we want you to come and hear it whether you choose to become a purchaser or are merely curious. Come at any hour, day or evening, the representative of the manufacturers from Chicago will be pleased to explain to you all about it.

Our agents for these instruments in Oregon are Eilers Piano House, Portland, Oregon.

Try the Elite for Christmas Photos. 11 2

News That Might Be of Interest to the Public From....

FRIEDMAN'S NEW RACKET

Since Our announcement of our contemplated change in the firm by the 15th of January, where we had to raise TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS out of our stock before a change could be made, we have realized nearly Six Thousand Dollars. In order to raise Four Thousand more by the 15th of January, we continue the extraordinary cut price sale on all lines, except we make a greater reduction in our velvet and velveteens—the goods that had been sold from 50c to 75c, which we reduced to 31c, we will now sell for

25c Per-Yard

We have added a great many loose collars, that cost from 10c to 35c each, we sell for..... 5c

We have secure over 500 drummers' samples of underwear, that cost all the way from 50c to \$1.25 we are selling for..... 25c

Also twenty-five samples children's overcoats from four to twelve years old, that are worth from \$2.50 to \$7 each which we are selling from \$1.25 to \$3.00

Our \$15 suits are rapidly going now at..... \$8.00

It will pay you well to secure your clothing before it is too late. You will save money on nearly all lines you buy of us now. Our assortment is yet good in gents' underwear, quilts and blankets. It will save you at least forty per cent in buying your hats of us. We made a farther cut in our ladies' jackets. We are selling them for actual half former price, and the same in our ladies' capes. We are closing out on rubbers and arctics. Come and partake of them—they are immense bargains. Our holiday goods are money savers. Albums, toilet sets, handkerchiefs, plate ware, cutlery and notions have but to hear the price as you will gladly take them. Thus saith Friedman, of

FRIEDMAN'S NEW RACKET

Cor. State and Com. Sts. Salem Or.

SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS

A new silk waist, a fine dress skirt, a good undershirt, a good wrapper, a nice wool fascinator, a pair of silk mittens, fine ribbons, good hosiery and gloves, will make nice and useful Christmas presents and can be had for one-third less than the regular price at

ISADORE GREENBAUM'S

Location First Door South of the Postoffice.

Education

As an investment, pays substantial dividends. This fact is demonstrated continually by our graduates. Four of our students have gone from school to profitable employment during the last two weeks. Plan now to take a course

AT THE CAPITAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, SALEM, OREGON. The present year. You will find here skillful teachers, correct methods and modern equipments. Students admitted at any time. Visitors welcome. For illustrated catalogue address, W. I. STALEY, Principal, Salem, Oregon.

DO NOT intend to carry any goods over their season. Therefore I will close out my fine fall stock of millinery everything new at great reductions.

MRS. D. L. FIESTER

First Door South of Postoffice Salem, Oregon

Ho! All Aboard For Toy Land

Another big letter just received announcing that

Santa Claus

Will again make his headquarters at

The Fair Store

For he says that they have everything in the line of dolls, toys, books, of every kind for the children and nice presents for everybody.

Remember

That the largest stock of holiday goods is at

The Fair Store

Yours for a Merry Christmas

O. P. DABNEY 374 Commercial Street, Salem.