

Stockton & Co The Premium Store

OLD ST. NICK IS COMING FAST

Only a few more days and he will come dropping down your chimney. Don't get caught without some gift for each of your friends, don't slight any one. Something useful will be more appreciated than a worthless article that fades with the giving.

COME TO THE USEFUL STORE WHERE BEST GOODS ARE SOLD FOR LESS MONEY THAN THEY CAN BE BOUGHT FOR ELSEWHERE.



There is a Well Dressed Man in Salem

Whose wife always saves up her odd change and gives him a suit of clothes for a Christmas present. His gift is always something equally as useful.

- A NEW HAT
- PAIR OF GLOVES
- OVERCOAT
- UMBRELLA
- BOX OF HANDKERCHIEFS
- SHIRTS, COLLARS
- TIES, SOCKS, ETC.

All make useful gifts for men

Aprons Fancy and Plain

The most beautiful assortment ever shown in Salem.

25c to \$2.50

Ribbons For Xmas

Every sort desirable is here for your choosing



PURSES

Our holiday line of purses is by far superior in quality and style. Remember the same low prices that prevail in our store will be found in this department.

FREE DISHES

Remember our Premium Offer. Every cash customer gets a coupon to the amount of their purchase. Coupons are redeemable in high grade Semi-Porcelain, Gold Trimmed Dishes, or imitation Star Cut Glass.

FITZ QUILTS MITS

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Sick and dispirited, more from mental than physical illness, Bob Fitzsimmons declared this morning that no amount of money could tempt him into the prize ring again. "I was defeated, and defeated fairly and squarely by a better man," is Bob's declaration. "This fight was forced upon me by the public following the retirement of Jeffries, and his recognizing me as entitled to the honor of champion. I entered the ring once too often." Fitz will fill his theatrical engagement in this city New Year's day, and depart for New York, where he will again take up stage work. O'Brien is unsettled as to his plans. He says he is willing to defend the title of heavyweight champion, which he considers he earned last night. He has several tempting offers for theatrical engagements here. "I would like first of all to fight Tommy Ryan, and after disposing of him will fight Marvin Hart," said O'Brien.

Telephone Company Bond Issue. New York, Dec. 21.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the American Telephone & Telegraph company has been called for this afternoon for the purpose of considering the proposition of issuing \$150,000,000 in convertible bonds, with a view of extending the business of the company. The bonds are to be sold from time to time as the needs of the company require. A special meeting of the stockholders had to be called to enable the company to carry out the plan. The company has sufficient funds in its treasury to meet its probable requirements until well into the year 1906, but authority is desired to issue bonds, so that the directors may be in a position to take advantage of any favorable opportunity that may arise. There is no doubt that the stockholders will approve of the plan.

Steamer Burning. Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 21.—A large steamer is afloat off this port. The vessel is about five miles off shore, and is burning up. People can be seen running about the decks. Two life saving crews have been dispatched to her aid. The lifesavers crew returned. They report the craft was a large in ballast. A tug had saved the crew before the lifesavers arrived.

New York, Dec. 21.—The steamship Pennsylvania, under command of Cap. Weaver, and carrying a crew of 38 and bound for San Francisco for this port is on fire off Atlantic City. Lifesavers have gone to her assistance. The vessel is owned by the Northwestern Steamship Company, of Seattle, and is valued at \$210,000.

A Natural Result. It is very reasonable to suppose if the foundation of a structure was removed that the building itself is bound to come down. This simple principle can be applied to disease. Take medicine into the system that will remove the cause of the sickness, and illness will leave of itself. Dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache and biliousness have their foundation in stomach disorders. Remove this weakness and the other symptoms are no more. There is one cure for this that all druggists sell for 25c per box; it is Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills. They get right at the beginning of the disease and make the cure by taking away the cause.

Has Wagon Coming. (Four O'Clock Edition.) Sacramento, Dec. 21.—The governor today pardoned Thomas Kelly, a life timer in San Quentin, who was convicted of murder in Fresno county in 1880. Frank Woods, another convict, has confessed to committing the crime.

Torture of a Franchise. The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased condition of Throat and Lungs. At J. C. Perry's drug store. Price, 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

A Family Affair. Honolulu, Dec. 21.—Geo. W. Smith, W. O. Smith, J. R. Galt have been selected as a delegation of the business men to leave January 5th for Washington to urge the President's recommendation regarding Hawaii. Governor Carter will follow.

CHICAGO STORE PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

A GRAND ASSORTMENT

OF USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS NOW ON EXHIBITION. We have put the prices so low that by Saturday night we expect to have closed out our entire Christmas goods. Look over this list of goods and pick out what you want.

- FINE SILKS
- LADIES' COATS
- LADIES' SUITS
- FINE FURS
- SILK WAISTS
- SILK PETTICOATS
- WOOL WAISTS
- MERCERIZED PETTICOATS
- MILLINERY
- CHILDREN'S CAPS
- KIMONAS
- DRESSING SACQUES
- WRAPPERS
- WAISTINGS
- BLANKETS
- MEN'S CLOTHING
- MEN'S HATS
- MEN'S SHOES
- MEN'S UNDERWEAR
- MEN'S NECKTIES
- MEN'S GLOVES
- MEN'S SILK HDKFS.
- MEN'S LINEN HDKFS.
- MEN'S SLIPPERS
- LADIES' SHOES
- TOILET CASES
- DRESSED DOLLS
- KID BODY DOLLS
- RUBBER DOLLS
- MECHANICAL TOYS
- LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS
- 2c, 3c, 5c, 8 1/2c, 15c and 25c.
- PILLOW TOPS
- FANCY ALBUMS
- OUTING FLANNEL
- NIGHTGOWNS
- CHILDREN'S SHOES
- LADIES' SLIPPERS
- LADIES' SILK HDKFS.
- LADIES' LINEN HDKFS.
- SILK MUFFLERS
- WOOL GLOVES
- COMFORTS
- KID GLOVES
- UMBRELLAS
- JEWELRY
- LADIES' HAND BAGS
- LADIES' BELTS
- TOYS OF ALL KINDS
- TABLE LINENS
- FINE TOWELS
- LINEN NAPKINS
- RIBBONS
- FINE LACES ...
- LADIES' FANCY COLLARS
- LADIES' UNDERWEAR
- LADIES' FINE HOSIERY
- CHILDREN'S HOSIERY
- LADIES' HOSE SUPPORTERS
- FANCY HARE COMBS
- BOYS' CLOTHING
- BOYS' PANTS
- OVERCOATS
- MEN'S PANTS
- BOYS' SWEATERS
- MEN'S SWEATERS
- MEN'S WOOL GLOVES
- MEN'S BELT'S
- LACE CURTAINS
- BOYS' SHOES
- RUBBER SHOES

Salem's Greatest Growing Store McEVROY BROS. Corner of Commercial and Court Streets

"Hoodlumism Condemned." Ed. Journal: Noticing in Tuesday morning's Statesman an article entitled "Hoodlumism Condemned," which assails the reputation of every school in the city, and, through the school, that of every student, in behalf of the students I would ask for a small space in your paper for an answer.

The "Patron" first attacks what he calls the "evil class" but his explanation certainly shows ignorance of the conditions. The party last Friday night, at the home of Mrs. Duncan, was strictly a senior class party, and all the seniors were invited. They count no "hoodlums" amongst their number, as was charged. Had any of the so-called hoodlums been invited all class rules would have been broken, not because they were hoodlums, but simply because they were not seniors. This writer does not deny that there were no hoodlums present, but he does deny the statements as appeared in the Statesman, and only desire the true facts to be given to the public, which the correspondent does not seem to know.

Perhaps our "Patron" does not know that there were two bands Friday night, one having only in mind the securing of the refreshments, while the other intended doing violence to one or more senior boys. The last mentioned were hoodlums, practically criminals, and no defense is offered for them, but the former were there solely for the purpose of playing a legitimate "school prank." They intended no harm, and did none. This is deemed sufficient to clear the false impression concerning them.

His assaults on the "punch bowl" needs no explanation, as the editor's note of the Statesman cleared that. Only we do wonder in what century our "Patron" went to school. Certainly a number back. All the students are perfectly in accord with his observation on hazing, and we are more than glad to say it has never started in the Salem public schools. If it ever does, we hope and know the board and faculty will take it up.

A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT. M. E. A. Dance. At their ball one-half mile west of Chemawa Friday evening, December 22d. Everybody invited. Checkroom provided.

Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society. Frank Meredith, Resident Agent. Office with Wm. Brown & Co., No. 129 Commercial Street.

NEW TODAY

Doe & Simpson.—Butchers, 277 Commercial street. 12-21-31

Notice.—Get your China Hiles for Christmas of Ralph Mason, 211 Miller street, South Salem. Phone 308. 12-21-31

Wanted.—Turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens and all farm produce. Highest cash price paid for same. Capital Commission Company, 267 Commercial street. Telephone 179.

Wanted.—Good milk cows, part Jersey, not over 8 years old, to be fresh after February 1st. Write what you have to J. H. Baidorf, Oregon City. 12-21-1wk*

Wanted.—By Oregon manufacturers, manager for Portland. References and security required. Address Weaver & Walling, box 176, Newberg, Ore. 12-21-31

For Sale.—Stump cord wood, 75c a cord, 2 1/2 miles from Salem, Route 2. W. M. Schutt. 12-21-1wk*

Xmas Turkey Dinner.—At Willamette Hotel. Telephone number of plates, 50c per plate. 12-21-1f

For Meats.—Dressed chickens and groceries call on W. D. Wheeler, North Commercial street. Phone 993. 12-21-31

Bryan Is Heard From. Manila, Dec. 21.—Bryan declined an invitation to dinner with Acting Governor-General Ide, saying that, as a newspaper writer, he wished to be free to write later without embarrassment.

The Tunnel Caved. New York, Dec. 21.—The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel caved in again this morning, this time under North River, burying five men, who were finally rescued, though terribly injured.

Just Went Home.

A frightened team, hitched to a large farm wagon, caused a sudden clearance of State and Commercial streets this afternoon at about 1:30. They started to run from in front of Roth & Graber's State street grocery. They made a bee line for Commercial street, and the farther they ran the worse scared they became, until, as they turned the corner, they must have been giving a mile-a-minute rate a pretty close shave. Drays, delivery wagons, buggies and all other vehicles were not slow in giving them the right of way, and the last seen of them they were going over the hill on South Commercial street, evidently going as straight home as they knew how.

Sure Cure for Piles.

Itching piles produce moisture and cause itching, this form, as well as Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles are cured by Dr. Bo-san-ko's Pile Remedy. Stops itching and bleeding. Absorbs tumors. 50c a jar at druggists, or sent by mail. Treatise free. Write me about your case. Dr. Bosanke, Philadelphia, Pa.

They Got It All.

(Four O'Clock Edition.) Portland, Dec. 21.—The postoffice at Wyeth, near the Cascade locks, was broken into last night, and \$300 in stamps and coin taken. There is no clue to the robbers.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

Commercial Club Meeting.

The Greater Salem Commercial Club has been asked to hold a special meeting to give respectful attention to a paint industry that wishes to locate here. There are also delegates to be appointed to attend the State Development League at Portland, and a Salem delegation is to be made up for the California excursion planned by the Portland Commercial Club. Delegates are also to be named for the Albany meeting of the Willamette Valley Development League. Other important matters are to come before the club, and the meeting will be held at the police court room Friday evening, December 22d, at 7:30.

Bond Filed.

A bond for \$5000, guaranteeing that the Willamette Valley Traction Company will have completed 15 miles of road within two years filed with the city recorder yesterday by Attorney John H. McNary, representing Mr. Welch. This was the stipulation made in the granting of the franchise by the city council.

The work on the road is being pushed as rapidly as possible, in spite of the inclement weather. About three miles of grading has already been done and ties laid; a large quantity of trolley wire is on the ground; the rails are in transit, and thousands of ties have been ordered from the mills.

For Christmas Presents.

The largest stock of plush lap robes in Salem, ranging in price from \$2.50 up to \$20.00. A beautiful double plush pattern at \$2.95. These robes can be used all the year around. They make very acceptable Christmas presents—30 per cent off regular prices. Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, State street.

Out of the Political Eden.

(Four O'Clock Edition.) Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 21.—The state today began quo warranto proceedings against Councilman E. M. Adams, of the fifth ward, to oust him from office for grafting and trafficking in city supplies. Subsequent investigation by the authorities may reveal widespread election frauds and graft, involving other city officials and prominent men.

Boys' Express Wagons.

A splendid lot of boys' express wagons at Mitchell, Lewis & Staver's, street store. Prices \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25.

A Legal Separation.

Bigger & Corby have separated, and Corby will hereafter occupy the corner room in the same building, together with Hall & Downing. 13-18-1wk

Money to Loan

THOMAS K. FORD, Over Ladd & Bush's Bank, Salem, Or.

Sterling Silver For Gifts

When you buy sterling ware, the question of quality is settled by the mark "sterling." If you are looking for silver gifts see our assortment and make your selection early: Silver bought now will be engraved free. Knives, forks, spoons, and table pieces of every sort. A first-rate variety to choose from, and the fairest prices that are asked anywhere. Tea spoons, \$4.00 per set. Cold meat forks, \$2.50 each. Bon Bon spoons, \$1.00. Berry spoons, \$3.50. Small meat carving knife and fork, \$5.00. Pie server, \$3.50.



State and Liberty Sts., Salem, Ore