

**HEADQUARTERS**  
 ... FOR ...  
**Cigars by the Box**  
 Christmas Goods Galore  
**ROSS, HIGGINS & CO.**  
 Good Goods Our Specialty.

**Local Brevities.**

Only a few days more to save the La Imperial bands. They are a sure winner.

Ladies Terry Cloth and Elder-down Lounging Robes, \$5 and up at Danziger & Co.'s.

We have a few boxes of nice apples which we offer at 75c per box while they last. Astoria Grocery.

Matt Johnson who was adjudged insane yesterday was taken to Salem by Emsley Houghton and Nick Clinton.

Mammoth line of Smoking Jackets in the newest and best styles and materials at \$5 and up at Danziger & Co.'s.

Closing out sale of toilet and manure sets at Woodfield's Art Store will commence today and continue during the week.

Captain Thomas Taylor was presented with a son and heir by his wife yesterday. Mrs. Taylor is with relatives at Forrest Grove.

Everybody is saving the Imperial cigar bands, not only because they enjoy a good smoke, but are also anxious to win the diamond ring.

Sir William Chance, bailiff of the circuit court, but now a resident minister of Seaside, was in Astoria yesterday, in attendance on the circuit court.

Captain Johnson, mate of the Umattilla reef lightship, arrived in the city yesterday on a leave of absence. He will spend the holidays with his children in Portland.

All the ordinances passed by the common council Monday night, and all warrants issued for the payment of claims, were signed by Mayor Surprenant yesterday.

Men's Smoking Jackets, plain and fancy weaves, beautiful styles in big variety; wonderful values at \$5 to \$12.50 at Danziger & Co.'s.

The preliminary examination of John Tenhart, charged with criminal assault on a little girl in Uniontown, was called yesterday in the justice court, and postponed until today.

New shipment of Men's and Young Men's Raincoats, Men's Neckwear, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Shirts, Umbrellas, Suspenders, etc., at lowest prices at Danziger & Co.'s.

The Sherman Transfer Company is erecting a building on the lot at the corner of Ninth and Bond street for the purpose of storing wagons and vehicles, made necessary on account of lack of room in its present quarters.

Charles H. Abercrombie, who was called to Montana on account of the serious illness of his mother, writes to a friend in Astoria that his mother's condition is serious and he will remain with her until a change in her condition.

Lars Peterson and Helen Goberg were married last evening at the parsonage of the First Lutheran church, the pastor officiating. The young people will be at home to their friends at their residence on Bond street after January 1.

It is reported that Prof. Lyman is quite ill in Portland. He is suffering with nervous prostration as a result of overwork in connection with the educational exhibits at the St. Louis fair, and the increased work incidental to the increased duties of county superintendent.

Temple lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., held its annual meeting last evening. Routine business was transacted, after which the election of officers occurred, as follows: M. W. W. L. Robb; S. W. A. C. Callan; J. W. A. Dunbar, treasurer; J. Q. A. Bowlby; secretary; E. C. Holden.

**Holiday Goods**

FINE LINE OF—

**Books, Albums, Xmas Cards, Calendars.**

We have what you want for yourself and friends

**SVENSON'S BOOK STORE**



**Musical Instruments, Toilet Sets, Toy Wagons, Dolls.**

**A COAL HOD**  
 that won't spill coal all over at

**W. C. LAWS & CO.** 527-531 Bond St.

We sell Stoves also.

**SPECIAL SALE**

**SPECIAL PRICE REDUCED**

**MORRIS CHAIRS**

IN WEATHERED OAK MISSION FURNITURE QUARTER SAWED OAK, with VELOUR AND LEATHER CUSHIONS

**12.50**

**Come Today! Tomorrow Might be Too Late!**

This is the Finest Assortment of Morris Chairs ever shown in the city.

**CHAS. HEILBORN & SON**

Complete House Furnishers.

An alarm of fire was turned in yesterday afternoon for a fire in the Astoria Iron Works. The fire proved to be a flame issuing from the cupola caused by the iron melting furnace being in operation. The chemical responded promptly, but its services was not required.

An alarm of fire was turned in at 10 o'clock last evening for a fire in the rear of Cuthbert's paint shop. It was in a small building occupied by some boys. No 1 responded and the fire was extinguished with no damage aside from the loss of the shack, which was the rendezvous of the kids.

Albert Anderson of Portland went to Cathlamet a few days ago to be located on a land claim. After he was located, he started in to celebrate the event, and during the night must have fallen, overboard and was drowned. His body was found yesterday near Cathlamet by Richard Nasse and a companion.

The second of the series of lectures given by Rev. Dr. House of Portland last evening at the Congregational church, was not as largely attended as it deserved, on account of a number of counter attractions. An interesting sermon will be delivered tonight to which the public is cordially invited.

Christmas novelties at Hoefler's have been received. All candy manufactured at home, 10 cents per pound and up. Decorations for Christmas surpass anything ever brought to Astoria. Everything in the line of confections and pure candy guaranteed to be first-class. The largest and most complete line in Astoria can be procured at Hoefler's.

Carl H. Strong, and wife returned yesterday from Alaska and will spend the holidays with Mrs. Strom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Johnson. Mr. Strom is engaged in business at Juneau, Alaska, and expects to return there after the holidays. A number of Astorians are located at Juneau, and all are doing well.

The Palace Turkish baths are a source of delight to the patrons who frequent the establishment—courteous treatment and your comfort guarded. Lady attendants furnished for lady patrons by appointment. These baths are especially recommended by the leading physicians of the city and respectfully solicit your patronage. Turkish baths and bed \$1.00. Russian bath 50 cents.

There is no sense in buying presents that are not appreciated in order to provide presents that will be appreciated. Wherity, Ralston & Co., have just received one of the finest selected stocks of slippers ever brought to Astoria. A visit to their store will convince one and all that their announcement in this issue states facts, and that their stock is unequalled by any other store.

Chief Engineer Foster has provided hose wagon No. 3 with fire extinguishers and they will soon be added to the other hose wagons of the city. It is claimed that by the use of these extinguishers considerable damage by water can be overcome and that they are a necessary auxiliary to the department. The action of Chief Foster will meet with the approval of the public.

Some of the most unique designs in small boxes of cigars, suitable for Christmas presents and which will be appreciated by lovers of a good smoke, can be found at Madison's cigar store. These, in addition to the finest assortment of merschaum pipes, and a fine line of smokers' articles, will be of great assistance to those looking for a present that will be appreciated. There is certainly no finer assortment in Astoria.

The schoolboys who are anxious to take advantage of the offers of the Commercial club for the use of its gymnasium, have perfected an organization and elected officers. They will attend the Commercial Club tonight and make their desires known. The club is deserving of the thanks of the public in its efforts to provide amusements for the schoolboys, which will no doubt be appreciated by the boys as well as their parents.

Dan O'Neil, for many years purser on the O. R. & N. steamers plying between Astoria and Portland, died at his farm near Oregon City yesterday. Dan was one of the most popular men on the river and had many friends in Astoria. Dan was never seen without a buttonhole bouquet in the lapel of his coat, being passionately fond of flowers. His affable manners and cheerful disposition endeared him to the traveling public.

It seems that the amendments proposed by the charter revision committee are not all that the people demand. The better element, and those not allied with the police commission ring, are urging an amendment, giving the council discretionary powers in granting liquor licenses. There seems to be a determined effort to weed out some of the disreputable saloons in the lower end of town. As these resorts are a necessary adjunct to the success of the citizens party, it is doubtful if the amendment will be considered by the committee.

The case of the O. R. & N. Co. against the Masonic Land and Building Association is set for argument today in the circuit court. The suit involves the title to the property opposite the O. R. & N. Co. dock, upon which the company recently erected a miniature building.

The Woodmen of Cathlamet are making arrangements for a grand ball for Christmas eve. It is expected that a delegation from Astoria will attend. The affair promises to be an important one. In addition to people from Astoria special boats will be run to bring people from different points along the river.

**At Fishers'.**

Last night's production of "Shore Acres" pleased a large audience at Fishers', and every climax was greeted with applause.

The story is one of the home and the actors who produced it carried the audience with them to an extent seldom equalled in theatrical annals of Astoria.

James T. Galloway, in the part of Nathaniel Berry, was all that he was advertised, "and then some," and his support was excellent to the last word of the "single lines."

"Shore Acres" was good.

Not for the purpose of advertisement, but to give the actors their due, Elwyn Stevens, Belle Thadore and Francis A. Denson are actors of the first merit, and the applause accorded them testifies to their ability to "get a hand," in a town where appreciation is only given the best of its kind.

Next week will appear the Keith Stock company in a repertoire production of various casts that will appeal to the theater lovers of the city.

**Marine News.**

With a cargo of crude oil the steamer Rosencrans arrived in this morning from Alcatraz for Portland, leaving up the river last night.

The schooner Mable Gale was towed up the river this morning for a cargo of lumber for San Pedro.

With a cargo of 564,800 feet of lumber the schooner W. F. Jewett cleared today for San Francisco. The lumber was loaded from the Tongue Point Lumber Co.'s wharf for San Francisco.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn is due tonight from Coos Bay with considerable freight and a full passenger list for Astoria and Portland. The weather is rough, but it is expected she will clear the bar.

The steamer Alliance will be due in today from Coos Bay with freight and passengers.

The steamer Harrison is due from Alsea, and, weather permitting, the steamer Sue H. Elmore will leave today for Umpqua.

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.**

**A Large and Varied Assortment at Ekstrom's.**

Here are a few articles which will make suitable and handsome Christmas presents for anyone. All popular and stylish, cheap in price, but high in quality. Read: Silver novelties in numerous different patterns, handsome cut glass pieces, sterling silverware, ebony goods in brushes, glasses and toilet sets, fancy umbrellas and canes, match boxes, tableware, fine chains, chaffing dishes, carving sets, special watches, diamonds, broches and a thousand other things. It will pay you to consult our prices before going elsewhere.

H. EKSTROM, Astoria, Ore.

Special sale of toilet and manure sets at Woodfield's Art Store on Bond street.

Toke Point or Shoal Water Bay oysters at the New Style Restaurant.

Just In—A shipment of fine Queen olives, 25c per pint, Astoria Grocery.

Shilling's spices are best. Every can guaranteed. Your money back if they don't suit. Astoria Grocery.

Schlitz's beer made Milwaukee famous, and is having the same effect on the Grotto. Nothing better on the market.

Men's Lounging Robes, plain blue and gray colorings, cord and tassel; great values at \$5 and up at Danziger & Co.'s.

You can find hair brushes, cloth brushes, tooth brushes, beauty brushes, complexion brushes, hand brushes, or any kind of a toilet brush you want at Charles Rogers the druggist's.

The Grotto will supply patrons with delicious Tom and Jerry every day. The superior quality of goods which has made the Grotto popular, will be supplied.

I have tooth brushes for tender gums and jauntly mouths, tooth brushes that I guarantee, and will give you another brush if the bristles come out. Rogers, druggist.

You can buy a chamol skin at Rogers' drug store for five cents to one dollar and twenty five cents.

**A Word About Carvers**

You've only a few days left in which to select that Xmas gift. Don't you think a nice carving set would be acceptable? We have them in a large variety of styles and are offering them at a

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**Per Cent Discount**

until the Holidays are over. Better pick yours now, while the assortment is good.

**Price Range from \$2.19 to \$7.50**

**FOARD & STOKES CO.**

**PERFUMES...**

**For Christmas Presents**

Chaise Perfumery forms an Ideal Gift for Young or Old, Boys, Girls, Young Men, Young Women, those in middle life or in life's decline.

There is a pleasing bit of sentiment about perfumes and their use that adds to their use as Christmas Gifts.

The place to buy High Grade Perfumes is at a store which has the biggest and best assortment and we undoubtedly have the most complete stock of perfumes in this city.

Come in and select your packages. We have them from 25c. to \$8.00 a bottle, all chaise, the flower odors, lasting in quality.

We have all the famous makes including all French Imported, Palmers, Rickseckers, Spiehlers, Lundborgs, Eastmans, etc.

The Drug Stores where everything is kept right.

**The Owl and Eagle Drug Stores**

THEO. F. LAURIN, Proprietor.

**CHRISTMAS SPECIALTIES**

Anticipating the General Desire of our Customers, who demand new Novelties in the shoe and slipper line, we have just received a stock of Christmas Novelties in high-grade shoes and slippers, that will meet the appreciation of the public. The stock is new, of the latest designs and fashions, and includes the finest line of slippers ever brought to Astoria.

This announcement will be sufficient to convince the people of Astoria that our new line of Christmas novelties will meet the desires of our Customers. Quality and Price guaranteed to suit.



**Wherity, Ralston & Company**