



# What Shall It Be ?

Many Delightful Surprises Are in Store for the **CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS**

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**Cruikshank's Jewelry Store**

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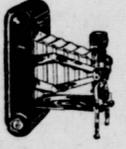
### VELOUR HATS

especially popular this winter, . . . . . \$5 and up.

Evening Clothes, Frock and Tuxedo Coats, Fancy Vests, etc. Dress Accessories of Every Kind.

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Haberdashery**  
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**Use Muslin Fronts.**  
That system of ventilating chicken houses which aims at securing cold, fresh air at the bottom of the house is absolutely wrong. The fresh air should enter at the bottom, thus preventing drafts and insuring an even temperature.  
Better still is to use the door and windows for ventilating. In place of one window have a frame with muslin stretched tightly over it. This admits lights and air, but prevents drafts. Leave this in day and night. Have a curtain dropped in front of your roosting closet and let it down on cold nights.  
We must bear in mind that the heat generated by the fowls at night as they roost closely together will be sufficient to keep them warm on the coldest nights.  
It is of importance that they should be protected from the cold winds, but it is of far greater importance that they have plenty of fresh air. The fowls in our forefathers' days thrived and were healthy, when they slept in trees



The gift to put the keen edge of enjoyment on Christmas Day and all the 365 days of the year—the

## KODAK

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## TROMP'S BOOK STORE

### STATE RECEIPTS ARE OVER \$14,000,000.

The two years ending Sept. 30, 1912, State Treasurer Lewis reports aggregate receipts of nearly seventeen million dollars. This of course includes transfers from one fund to another and the like. The actual legitimate cash receipts for the 24 months were \$14,622,894, and the actual net cash disbursements were \$11,071,742.  
The report shows that one of the largest sources of indirect revenue, as distinguished from the money raised by direct taxation, is that from liquor. The state gets 10 per cent. of all license moneys collected by the cities and counties and also issues a state liquor license at \$25 per annum. From these sources about \$420,500 cash was collected in two years.  
An interesting feature of the report deals with the attempt to clean up the old normal school building debt. Mr. Lewis says:  
The 1909 legislature passed an act being chapter 65 laws of 1909 authorizing and directing the governor, state auditor and state treasurer to issue bonds and exchange the same for warrants (together with accrued interest to the passage of the act, at 7 per cent), issued under an act approved March 5, 1895, for the use of erecting and equipping normal schools at Cheney and New Whatcom, which warrants were illegally drawn on the normal school fund.  
The warrants are numbered 1 to 509 inclusive; draw 7 per cent interest to June 10, 1909; total principal and interest \$206,034.96.  
The bonds are known as State of Washington Normal School Series bonds; total issue, \$206,024 (200 at \$1000 and 24 at \$500), optional with state to redeem after five years and within fifteen years, at the choice of the state treasurer with 3 per cent interest.  
General Maus, commander of the department of the Columbia, has recommended to the war department the fortification of Grays harbor and Willapa harbor.  
The Corn Products company of New York is accused by dealers of making written contracts for rebates in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.  
Great Britain has pretested in writing a vigorous protest against the exemption of American coast-wise shipping from Panama canal tolls.  
It is estimated that \$190,000,000 will be required next year for meeting the requirements of the new pension bill. This means an increase of \$40,000,000 in a single year and makes it the largest appropriation for pensions ever made by the government. The roll of civil war veterans is less than half a million. It is just 497,263. This will be cut down by death so fast in the future that the total pension roll will shrink from twenty to thirty millions a year in the near future and much more rapidly at the end of a decade.

### Backs to Wall and Dying Hard.

It is amusing indeed to note the effort of some of the commissions at Olympia to save their official heads. The Argus supported Hay during the recent campaign but it has always been opposed to the multiplicity of commissions which have marked his administration. Ernest Lister—one of the few men in Washington who could have attained success in the short time he had to cover the state—was elected largely on his promise to give the state a business administration without so many commissions. Members of these commissions know that Lister means business and that he is a man of his word. They therefore are now making renewed appeals to the people, hoping they will be able to explain satisfactorily why they were born and why they should continue to live. The public service commission has taken to sending out lengthy statements to the weekly newspapers. Newspapers that believe in a square deal and are acquainted with the methods employed by the would-be hangers-on, are not printing this explanation of the "principal functions of the public service commission."  
The public service commission had an opportunity to explain by its own works to the satisfaction of the taxpayers the reason for its existence. It failed to do so. Its members hopped around the Hay field all summer. Winter is here and it looks like there is no room for them in the Lister ant hill.—Mt. Vernon Argus.

Little Girl—What did you get for Christmas?  
Little Boy—A lot o' toys, an engine, whole lot of candy, nuts, an cake, an' a dose of castor oil.

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## APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

For Ladies and Gentlemen, and for Children.

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Just West of Electric Theatre

A fine assortment of Seasonable Goods  
Prices as Low as those of the Big Stores.

# The Christmas Holidays will soon be here



You will be in a better position to enjoy them if you have your shopping done early and if you can feel that the gifts you propose to present to your friends are of a substantial nature—things that will be not only a reminder of your friendship, but of practical use to the recipient.

Our stock of goods answers such a purpose. You will find here such useful things as **Ladies' Felt Slippers** in various colors; **Ladies' Collars, etc., Gentlemen's Dress Shirts, Four-in-hand Ties, Windsors, Silk Scarfs, Reefers, Dresser Scarfs, Lunch Cloths, and Center Pieces**, to say nothing of a big array of Handkerchiefs and Center Pieces, also **Combination Sets of Suspenders and Ties**. And if your friend shows inclinations of getting "cold feet", come in and get him a pair of fine hose, with tie to match,

But we believe the **best Christmas Gift** you can give your friends is to convince them that it is to their interest to do their **own business** jointly with their neighbors under the co-operative plan. This company is organized for that purpose, but it needs the co-operation of yourself and friends to make it a success.

We Wish You A Merry Christmas.

# Lynden Co-Operative Co.

In France 41, in the Netherlands 30, in England and Wales 8, showing the extreme subordination of agriculture to industrialism. The percentage for Switzerland was 31, for Austria 61, for Hungary 69, for India 67, for Italy 59 and for Sweden 49.  
The increased productivity of labor due to the use of improved machinery and implements is illustrated in the case of corn. From 1855 to 1894 the time of farm labor to produce a bushel of corn, on an average declined from 44:34m. to 41m. This was because inventors had given to the farmers the gang plow, the disk harrow, the four-section harrow for pulverizing the top soil, the self-binder drawn by horses for removing husks from

the ears, stalks and blades for feeding and many others. The corn sheller, operated by steam, will shell a bushel of corn in one minute, while in the old way it required the labor of a man for 100 minutes to do the same work.  
With regard to the future, the experts of the agricultural department say that farm labor will not be recruited in any appreciable degree from the cities. "The farmer would not need to get his labor from the cities," says one authority "if he could hold the country population to the soil. Recognition of the importance of retaining the children on the farm and of keeping country labor from migrating to the cities, is governing most of the work by state and nation in behalf of agriculture."

**Notice to Creditors.**  
No. 2372.  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WHATCOM.  
In the Matter of the Estate of MARTIN STEWART, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the above estate to present the same with the necessary vouchers, as provided by law, within one year after the 5th day of December, 1912, to the undersigned, administrator of the said estate, or at the law office of Neterer & Pemberton, his attorneys, in the Clover Block, Bellingham, Washington, or said claims will be barred.  
JAMES STEWART, Administrator

## A Merry Christmas



WE extend the Compliments of the Season to our friends and patrons, and to the people of the Nooksack valley generally. A Merry Christmas to one and all. We also take this occasion for thanking them for the liberal patronage accorded us during the past year and wish to say that the coming year will find us better prepared than ever to supply your needs in Agricultural Implements, Wagons, Buggies, Dairy and Farm Supplies of every description.



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