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In our south show window we have placed a number of carefully selected articles costing from \$1.50 to \$2.00, which we offer at the uniform price of 98c.

That there are some genuine bargains here you will believe when you read over the list: children's chairs, stands, suit cases, tabourettes, jardiniers, parlor lamps, pictures, dishes, steins, vases, water sets, etc. Any one of these articles, 98c.

Bargains in Fancy Rockers.

\$1.29	\$2.50	\$3.89
1.49	2.98	4.50
1.98	3.33	4.98

All of these are shown in our show windows.

Seeing is Believing in the Genuineness of Our Offer.

WATKINS BROS.

New Year's Resolutions.

We do not need a megaphone to let the public know that we carry the best line of...

GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, SHOES AND RUBBERS

that money will buy. This has always been the policy of this store and our New Year's Resolutions are to carry out the same policy.

We were very well satisfied with the business we did the last quarter of the closing year for which we thank our many patrons and wish them all a Happy New Year.

It won't be necessary to talk prices when you see what we supply in the grocery line, everything fresh and guaranteed the best.

One good way to save a dollar is to invest it in an article of lasting value.

Again thanking our many friends for their liberal patronage in the past we trust we may add a good many new ones the coming year.

Ward, Gill & Doyle,
DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES.
Phone 89-12.

FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY WE WILL SELL...

ARMOUR'S DRIED BEEF

In one pound Glass Jars at 20 cents per Jar.

This beef we are offering is Armour's celebrated "White Label" and is sold regularly at from 25 to 30 cents per jar. Our special offer of 20 cents per jar is good only for a few days, after which we will go back to our regular retail price.

The Morton & Dwyer Company.

START the New Year by opening a Bank Account with the Manchester Trust & Safe Deposit Company. We invite accounts with individuals and offer every facility for the handling of their Banking business. Let us open one with you.

Manchester Trust & Safe Deposit Company

Main Street, South Manchester

POST OFFICE IMPROVEMENTS.

Manchester Office to Be Enlarged — Mrs. Rose to Be Appointed Postmistress for Four Years More.

Conditions at the Manchester post office are soon to be improved. This will be good news to the patrons of the office. Mrs. Jessie Rose, the postmistress, has made application to the government authorities asking for the improvements and there is every reason to believe that they will soon be forthcoming. The office is to be enlarged to about twice its present size, thus allowing more room both in the lobby and behind the boxes. A new set of office furniture will soon replace the old worn out boxes. They will be of different design. At present there is not a lockbox or drawer to be had. All are rented. Mrs. Rose's term as postmistress expired December 15, but it is expected that she will be reappointed for a term of four years. A petition bearing numerous signatures asking for her appointment has been sent to Congressman Henry. Mr. Henry said the petition was unnecessary for according to the new post-office rules, no changes would be made unless charges of misconduct were brought to the attention of the postoffice authorities.

NOTED SPEAKER COMING.

Rev. Andrew Burns Chalmers, of Plymouth Church, Worcester, to Address Christian Endeavor Workers.

The annual meeting of the Manchester Christian Endeavor Union, will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 22, with the society of the North Congregational church. The union is composed of six societies, Gilead, Bolton, Wapping, Talcottville, South Manchester and Manchester. The annual meeting on the 22nd will be open to the public. One of the ablest speakers in New England will give the address on the subject, "The Wisdom of Winning Souls." The speaker, Rev. Andrew Burns Chalmers, is a stranger in this region. He is pastor of the Plymouth church, of Worcester, Mass., a church of 743 members. Its standing among churches may be had from the facts that last year its home expenses amounted to nearly twenty thousand dollars, while it gave to missions and benevolent work over twenty-two thousand dollars.

Owing to the eminence of the speaker, and the importance of his subject, it is hoped that many will attend from other churches than those represented by the union. The Union extends a hearty invitation, to all christian people old and young, of any or all denominations, to be present. The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the North Congregational church, beginning promptly at 7.45.

AFTER TWENTY-THREE YEARS

G. H. Allen's Faithful Span of Dapple Gray Horses Put to Rest.

When George H. Allen sold his livery business to Thomas Harrington two years ago he retained the ownership of his gray pair which he owned for 20 years. He, however, allowed Mr. Harrington the use of the horses. Last fall he took the horses to his own barn and last Saturday had them shot and sent to the happy hunting ground. There wasn't a better known pair of horses in the town. Mr. Allen bought them just twenty-three years ago. He sold the horses to Dr. F. B. Adams and two years later bought them back again. Up to two years ago they had done good faithful service and this famous span had without a doubt attended more funerals and weddings in Manchester than any other pair of horses in town. Mr. Allen liked them very much and it was this fact that led him to put them to death. He had several opportunities to sell the horses but rather than run the chance of having them misused he had them killed. The horses were in good health, strong and without blemish of any kind.

Nurse desires any kind of work. Is competent to care for all kinds of illness. Can always be located by calling upon Nurse's Register, 284 Pearl St., Hartford, 'phone 1710-2. Lillian Spencer. 1054

NEW CORPORATION AT BISCUIT FACTORY

To Be Known as The Frank B. Smith Co.

CAPITALIZED AT \$100,000.

Will Begin Manufacture of Modern Office Furniture at Once — To Make Metal Furniture As Soon as Machinery Arrives.

Articles of incorporation have been prepared and will be filed in a day or two for The Frank B. Smith Company, of Manchester, Conn. This is the corporation which is to occupy the factory of the Eastern Biscuit Company. Its business will be the manufacture of wooden and metal desks and office furniture. The head of the company, Frank B. Smith, has been prominently connected with the Derby Desk Company and has a wide acquaintance with the trade throughout the United States.

The main business of the company will be the manufacture of metal desks and furniture and for this purpose machinery has been ordered which will not be ready for delivery before the first of May. In the meantime, however, they will begin the manufacture of wooden desks and furniture, using for that purpose the machinery of a plant until recently operated in New Jersey, which will be moved here at once and be established in the basement of the main factory.

As soon as the articles of incorporation are filed the stockholders will meet to elect officers. The capital stock is to be \$100,000. H. B. Longwell, of New York, who is to be one of the officers, and who is one of the chief promoters of the enterprise, says that when the entire plant is in operation it will give employment to 150 hands.

SILK WINDERS SCARCE.

New York Manufacturers Come Here in Search of Mill Help.

That good silk winders are scarce is shown by the fact that silk manufacturers or their agents from all over New England come to Manchester in search of girls. The Cheney silk mills have the reputation of turning out the best winders obtainable. Only last week a silk manufacturer from New York city came here and offered several inducements to young girls to go to New York to work. He offered to pay railroad fares, give them eight dollars a week and find them good places to board. Winders at the Cheney silk mills are as a rule well employed and as the great majority of them live with their parents they do not go elsewhere to work. Within a short time agents from both Massachusetts and Rhode Island concerns visited Manchester in search of silk mill help.

A WILD COW IN SOUTH WINDSOR.

Has, With Her Calf, Been Wandering About for Six Weeks.

Six weeks ago a cow owned by a Hartford man wandered away from Pelton's slaughter house in South Windsor. The animal has been at large ever since that time and has been seen in different parts of the town and has even crossed the line and visited Manchester. Last week the cow visited Henry Slater's place on Tolland Turnpike, and from there was tracked into Wapping. Since the cow has been wandering about she has brought a little calf into the world. Just how she can pick up a living for herself and feed her young is a puzzle to the farmers in that neighborhood. Joseph Belknap, a Wapping farmer, has been authorized by the owner to shoot the cow on sight and Mr. Belknap has spent some time hunting the animal but as yet has been unable to locate her.

DEEP CUT IN Overcoats

THE YOUNG MAN'S OPPORTUNITY.

At the beginning of the winter we have placed on sale a collection of fancy overcoats which we do not care to carry over, at great reductions in price. These are up-to-date garments, of the popular length and style. They are made by well-known tailors and are of the high quality we like to sell. In some grades the assortment is limited and it will be well to come early to make your selection:—

\$20.00	Coats now	\$15.00
18.00	" "	13.00
17.00	" "	12.48
16.50	" "	12.48
16.00	" "	11.98
15.00	" "	10.98
15.00	" "	9.98
12.00	" "	8.89
10.00	" "	7.48

Samples of these bargains may be seen in our North Show Window.

GEO. W. SMITH,
NEW CHENEY BLOCK.

Return Gifts.

We Have a Nice Line of Ladies' Fancy Embroidered Handkerchiefs to Select from.

Also Ladies' felt slippers and men's leather slippers. Neckwear and jewelry.

Elite shoes for men, La France and Radcliffe shoes for women.

A. L. BROWN & COMPANY,
DEPOT SQUARE.

CLOSING OUT SALE —OF— HOLIDAY GOODS.

Everything in this store kept for the accommodation of the holiday trade will be disposed of commencing Saturday morning regardless of cost. Following is a list of marked down goods:

FOR MEN: House slippers, neckwear, cuff buttons, scarfs, handkerchiefs, gloves, caps, underwear, suspenders and leggins.

FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN: All odds and ends of women's, misses' and children's house slippers, also rubber boots of all sizes and leggins.

Call at the BOSTON SHOE STORE and be convinced that this sale is one of reality and not merely an advertisement.

A. ROGERS, Proprietor.

A TA COURT OF PROBATE HELD AT Manchester, within and for the district of Manchester, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1906.
Present, OLIN B. WOOD, Esq., Judge.
Estate of Matthew Bell, of Manchester, in said district, incompetent.
The conservator having exhibited his administration account with said estate to this court for allowance, it is
ORDERED: That the 8th day of January, A. D. 1907, at 9 o'clock, forenoon, at the probate office, in said Manchester, be and the same is assigned for a hearing on the allowance of said administration account with said estate, and this court directs the said conservator to give public notice to all persons interested therein to appear and be heard thereon by publishing a copy of this order in some newspaper having a circulation in said district, on or before Jan. 1, 1907, and by posting a copy of this order on the public signpost in the said town of Manchester, 5 days before the day of said hearing and return make to this court.
H-1-1-07
OLIN B. WOOD, Judge.

WE ARE WELL SATISFIED

With our Christmas trade and take this opportunity of thanking the public for their patronage.

Now as before Christmas you will find at our store the best line of groceries the market affords.
Drop in and see us and test the merits of our Volunteer flour at 65c a bag; also our Mountain Rose coffee at 32c a pound.

S. A. DOANE,
The East End Grocer.
12 North Main St.,
TELEPHONE CALL 12-4.

A TA COURT OF PROBATE HELD AT Manchester, within and for the district of Manchester, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1906.
Present, OLIN B. WOOD, Esq., Judge.
Estate of Frederick Gilbranson, late of Manchester in said district, deceased.
On motion of Lulu Taylor, executrix.
ORDERED: That six months from the 28th day of December, A. D. 1906, be and the same are limited and allowed for the creditors within which to bring in their claims against said estate, and the said executrix is directed to give public notice to the creditors to bring in their claims within said time allowed by posting a copy of this order on the public sign post nearest to the place where the deceased last dwelt within said town and by publishing the same in some newspaper having a circulation in said probate district, within ten days from the date of this order, and return make to this court of the notice given.
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COMMISSION AUCTION.
We will sell at public auction every Wednesday at 1 P. M. at Union Stables 103 Main St., Hartford, Conn., Horses, Carriages and Harness. Parties having horses etc., to dispose of will sell them for per cent. commission.
Remember we have a sale every Wednesday, Rain or Shine.
GEORGE J. MEYER, Auctioneer.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Eczema, Itch, Ringworm, Scabies, Ringworm, Scabies, Ringworm, Scabies.

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PLAIN MR. BRYCE OF ST. JAMES

England's Next Ambassador at Washington, Who Declined a Peerage

Democratic Statesman, Ripe Scholar and Lover of Liberty and Justice For Their Own Sake—Beloved and Respected in America Above All Other Europeans—Mountain Climbing His Recreation. How He Worked at His Masterpiece

By ROBERTUS LOVE.
MR. BRYCE is to be the next British ambassador at Washington. Observe that it is not Sir James Bryce nor James, Lord Bryce. It is just plain Mister. That sounds good to an American. It is just the sort of thing that most of the 86,000,000 plain American people like. It may not suit Newport, R. I., in the summer time, but it will suit the rest of the people all the year around. The first thing James Bryce did after his appointment as ambassador to America was to decline the king's offer of a peerage. He did not need the appendage. His name already stood for a vast deal more than any title of conferred nobility could give it. It stood for democracy, as it has stood ever since the name of James Bryce, M. P., began to appear in the American newspapers.

The appointment of Mr. Bryce marks a distinct and undeniable advance in British diplomacy. Mr. Bryce is not a professional diplomat. This will be his first diplomatic post. He begins at the top. He wears his titles at the end of his name. They are academic. Heretofore we have had ambassadors from England who wore high sounding

row pig trough between two sewers," and was no less complimentary to the rest of our beloved land.

Three Trips to Study America.

These and other British authors more or less distinguished who have written books about us got their information from hotel bellboys. They saw the country from the car windows. But when Dickens was writing his imperishable stories of English life and before Rudyard Kipling was born there was a boy in school at Glasgow who conceived the idea of writing a book on the great American commonwealth. The subject interested and fascinated him. He read everything he could find bearing thereon. Later, when at Oxford and a fellow of Oriel college, he continued to inform his mind regarding his favorite subject. Other literary work he had in view and performed, but that was his master work.

At last, in 1870, at the age of thirty-two, James Bryce came to America to see at first hand the great country which he had studied already for seventeen years. He saw this country pretty thoroughly, taking his time about it. Then he went home and wrote some things, but not for his book. He was not yet prepared. He

belonging to the professional and mercantile classes."

"The Land of the Future."

There are born Americans in New England and elsewhere along the Atlantic rim who still believe that the people of the Pacific coast states are yapping Yahoos, but Mr. Bryce learned better a long time ago. He found other points in which the American people in his view were superior to Europeans. His whole study and investigation of the subject led him to a firm belief in the greatness and the worldwide importance of the American experiment in popular government. He called America "the land of the future."

Nobody in Europe knew very much about the United States until Bryce published his book. Even over here we knew a great deal more about our own country after that work came out. The work has been translated into several European languages and unquestionably has done the United States a world of good. Mr. Bryce is our friend to start with, and as ambassador he may be expected to maintain an attitude of friendliness rather than one of frigidity.

Mr. Bryce is an interesting personality, quite aside from his American predilections. He has been all his life an unusually busy man, as professor of civil law at Oxford university, as a practicing barrister for fifteen years, as a member of parliament and of the British cabinet, yet he has found time to see a great deal of the world outside. His recreation is mountain climbing. When Mr. Bryce wants to take a rest he goes off to some altitudinous territory and climbs a 16,000 foot mountain peak. Some years ago he climbed to the summit of Mount Ararat, on which Noah's ark is supposed to have landed. Two-thirds up the mountain Mr. Bryce's party of Kurds and Cossacks deserted him, the Persian belief being strong that no man could reach the summit. The professor went on alone, gained the summit and looked out upon a magnificent panorama which he described most beautifully in one of his books. For some time he was president of the famous Alpine club. What he does not know about mountain climbing is not important.

Mr. Bryce once had occasion to quote an article from a newspaper at Tacoma, Wash., telling the world what Tacoma had to be thankful for. In a footnote Mr. Bryce remarked: "Tacoma has one glory which the inhabitants, it is to be feared, value less than those dwelt on in the article. It commands the finest view of a mountain on the Pacific coast, perhaps in all North America, looking across its calm inlet to the magnificent snowy mass of Mount Tacoma (14,700 feet), rising out of deep, dark forests thirty miles away."

Mr. Bryce's first book was "The Holy Roman Empire," elaborated from a college prize essay. So thoroughly and illuminatively was that task performed that the young historian became at once a figure of interest in Europe. That figure has grown constantly to the present day.

Democratic Like Her Husband.

Until he had completed his masterpiece, the work on America, Mr. Bryce remained a bachelor. Then he was married to Miss Elizabeth Marion Ashton of Manchester, who was president of the Woman's National Liberal association and had lectured and written on political topics with distinction. Since the marriage it is understood that Mrs. Bryce has confined her political activities chiefly to assisting and encouraging her husband. She is said to be democratic, like Mr. Bryce. This is another occasion for congratulation upon America's part in view of the change in the ambassadorship.

It is a matter of wide notoriety that Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the present ambassador, and his wife have become decidedly unpopular in Washington, owing largely to the point of view from which Lady Durand looks upon her social duties and privileges. In the case of Mrs. Bryce there is not likely to be any amusing episode such as inevitably must grow out of the contact of a lord and lady family with the democratic society of a courtless capital.

Why Canada Objects.

Thus far the only objection to Mr. Bryce as ambassador has come from Canada. The Dominion to the north of us is highly apprehensive lest a man of Bryce's admitted liberal views—he has been for years one of the leaders of the advanced Liberal party in England—may not handle the perplexed problems of the Alaskan boundary and the Newfoundland fisheries with that imperialistic aplomb which is characteristic of an ambassador who wears his titles in front of his name and who was baptized to perpetual diplomacy in his youth. The United States Americans believe that Ambassador Bryce, a thorough statesman, a ripe scholar, a lover of liberty and justice for their own sake, will be disposed to give the square deal in these important matters of dispute.

President Roosevelt and Secretary Root, while too diplomatic to proclaim themselves immoderately glad, are known to be at least de-lighted over this appointment. It is understood that the state department found it impossible to work satisfactorily with Sir Mortimer in connection with the Canadian disputes, and we are told from the other side that the retiring ambassador was advised by the court of St. James that his retention at Washington depended upon his getting into a relation of more brotherly familiarity with the president. The story goes that he replied to the effect that such a consummation, however devoutly wished, was impossible.

JAP TROOPS IN HAWAII

Two Regiments Said to Be at Honolulu.

MANY WAR VETERANS AMONG THEM

Mikado's Subjects, Reported as Flooding the Islands, Now Form About 40 Per Cent of the Population and Refuse to Become Citizens—Hawaiians Regard Situation as Very Grave. Japanese Not "Mixers."

Whatever may be the sentiment of the mainland relative to the existing Japanese war scare and the recommendation of the president that the Japanese be admitted to citizenship, the people of the Hawaiian Islands regard the present situation as exceedingly grave and, furthermore, view with the keenest alarm the future of Hawaii in event of the president's recommendation being enacted by congress, writes a Honolulu correspondent of the New York Herald.

Notwithstanding denials from Washington, the rumor still prevails at Honolulu that two regiments of Japanese veterans, fully officered from colonel down, are in and about Honolulu waiting the signal to take possession of that city. No outward evidence of such military organization is given, but the secret agents of the United States government have obtained details that caused them to cable the information to Washington.

The members of these regiments are working in various capacities in and about the city. A very significant fact has been observed about the character of the Japanese who have been coming to Honolulu lately from Japan. It has been noticed that the recent arrivals have been a harder and better set up class of men than those who formerly came. Many of them have been wearing their war medals, and this display of war records has been especially noted by observers. The local newspapers are treating the situation as one that is much more grave than the average person realizes. In this connection it is urged that the territorial authorities do nothing for the present that will arouse the resentment of the Japanese.

It is believed that not a little of the feeling in Japan against America was due to the manner of treating various Japanese in Hawaii under the territorial laws and regulations. Japanese doctors have been refused licenses to practice unless they could take the examinations in the English language. Japanese hack drivers were regulated against by the legislature, and other efforts were made by the lawmakers to prevent the Japanese competing with citizens in various occupations and businesses. Practically all of these efforts were made in violation of treaty rights.

The residence of the Japanese in the Hawaiian Islands has developed one fact most positively, a fact that is being urged as the most material consideration against his being naturalized. This is the nonassimilative character of the race. The Hawaiians are among the most open hearted, hospitable people in the world. They are ready to receive almost any race, with the exception of the negro, upon friendly terms. The Chinese have in numerous instances shown that they could and would profit by this feeling and have taken natives, among the lower classes as a rule, for wives. But not so the Japanese.

If ever the Japanese avail themselves of the privilege of becoming American citizens—in the event, of course, of President Roosevelt's recommendation being followed by congress—the Japanese will become Americans with a mental reservation. And this reservation will be that they will not fight against Japan. A number of Japanese have been asked if they would like to become American citizens. In practically every instance they replied that they would. It was then explained to them that among the obligations that they would undertake in such event would be to pledge to fight against their emperor if America and Japan ever went to war. To a man every Japanese immediately replied that he could not fight against his emperor.

With the Japanese as citizens the day of Hawaii as American territory will effectually pass. Previous to annexation to the United States the Hawaiian Islands were in increasing danger of becoming absorbed eventually by Japan. With the "little brown men" enrolled as American subjects that condition will become a reality.

No official census of the Japanese in these islands has been taken recently, but it is believed from various reliable sources that they number about 70,000, or about 40 per cent of the entire population. There are at least 10,000 able-bodied Japanese men living on the island of Oahu and in Honolulu constantly, so that the recent estimate made by the military intelligence officers of only two regiments of Japanese soldiers being in Honolulu is thought to be inadequate to the real conditions. Opposed to this organization are only one battalion of United States regulars and about 5,700 registered voters on this island. The community would be entirely helpless against the Japanese should Japan order the co-operation of her people in Honolulu. Similar conditions prevail on all of the other islands.

Just as the Japanese men have been crowding out citizens from various lines of occupation throughout the islands, so the children of the former are now gradually and with increasing rapidity crowding into the Hawaiian public schools.

Rapid changes of temperature are hard on the toughest constitution.

The conductor passing from the heated inside of a trolley car to the icy temperature of the platform—the canvasser spending an hour or so in a heated building and then walking against a biting wind—know the difficulty of avoiding cold.

Scott's Emulsion strengthens the body so that it can better withstand the danger of cold from changes of temperature.

It will help you to avoid taking cold.

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Is the watchword of the careful housekeeper. Many consider the telephone a luxury. But—It saves carefare enough: it may save doctor's bills—and it does save time enough to more than pay for itself. This will appeal to every practical housekeeper for the phone means....

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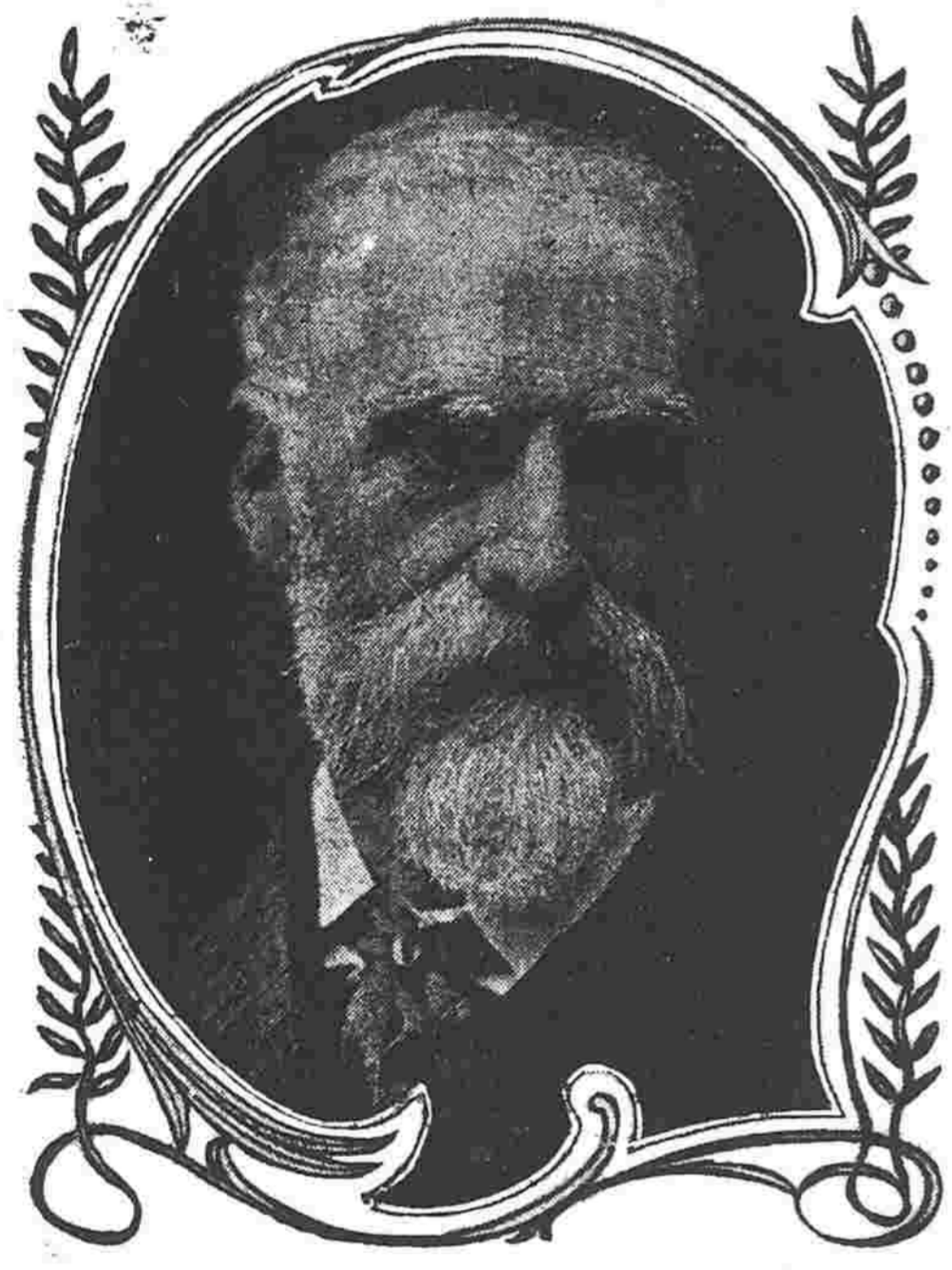
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It's worth \$8 a year to keep in touch with what The Courant thinks about things. If you can't afford to take The Daily Courant, you can get the best of it in the Semi-Weekly for \$1.

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JAMES BRYCE.

titles in front of their names and walked on stilts. Some of them wore monocles. All of them were lords or sirs. Now and then one of them was as cocky as some of those British schoolboys described in Kipling's "Stalky" book. Some of them have been estimable persons despite their titles and the wide separation from common humanity which those titles necessitate, but few of them ever found their way into the hearts of the American people. Perhaps the dignity of diplomacy denies them that sweet privilege or province—and perhaps not.

Beloved and Respected.

Mr. Bryce has found already the open sesame to American hearts. It is not to be disputed that he is beloved and respected in America above all other Europeans, from kings to hod carriers. His greatest literary work, "The American Commonwealth," published eighteen years ago, is accepted universally as the fairest and ablest elucidation and illumination of American institutions ever written, either in Europe or America. It is practically the only work of any importance ever written by an Englishman that is absolutely devoid of a sneer or a gibe at America. And this recalls the fact that Mr. Bryce is not really English. He is Scotch and Irish. His father was a Presbyterian divine from Glasgow, and his mother was an Irish woman. He was born in Belfast, Ireland.

It would have been almost impossible for a born Englishman to have written "The American Commonwealth." The English viewpoint and attitude are effective barriers. We remember the saucy and spiteful frothings of Mrs. Malaprop in her book about us. We recall the sarcastic tenor of dear Charles Dickens' "American Notes." We still retain traces of Kipling's caustic applications of opinion, in which he described New York city as "a long, nar-

did not know enough about the United States. In 1881 he came over again, penetrating into the heart of the nation and not neglecting its outer edges. He spent months in his investigations. Again he returned home and wrote and discarded. He was not yet satisfied with his grasp of the big subject. In 1883 he made his third trip to the United States, remaining until well along in the next year. He visited places that had known him before, and he went into new places. Then he returned to England and went to work on his book, which he completed four years later. He was then fifty years of age and had had that work in mind since he was fifteen.

Mr. Bryce knows the United States much better than the average citizen of this country. He followed no beaten track in his investigations. He went into the small towns and out to the farms to see how the people lived. He studied cities from the inside out. He made himself as familiar with Oshkosh as with Newport and saw the state of Oregon as well as the state of Massachusetts. He tells of entering a bookstore in a small town in Oregon. He says he was "dawdling" there, but he wasn't, because he was making inquiries, and therefore he was at work.

"A lady entered to inquire if a monthly magazine whose name was unknown to me had yet arrived," says Mr. Bryce. "When she was gone I asked the salesman who she was and what was the periodical she wanted. He answered that she was the wife of a railway workman, that the magazine was a journal of fashions and that the demand for such journals was large and constant among women of the wage earning class in the town. This set me to observing female dress more closely, and it turned out to be perfectly true that the women in these little towns were following the Parisian fashions very closely and were, in fact, ahead of the majority of English ladies

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Mixes and Kneads Bread thoroughly in Three Minutes.

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EASY TO OPERATE. EASY TO CLEAN.

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DRILLED TO BE FOOLS.

Russian Recruits Taught That They Shall Kill and Not Think. The Russian newspapers are taking advantage of the recruiting season to attack the stupid manner in which recruits are trained...

A NEW YEAR NOVELTY.

"A Cheerful Year Book" and Some of Its Aphorisms.

One of the novelties of the new year is "A Cheerful Year Book" for engagements and other serious matters, accompanied by philosophic and moral aphorisms for the instruction of youth...

ETIQUETTE OF LOLLIPOPS.

Bad Form For Japanese Children to Eat Sweets in the Streets.

While agitation is in progress on the question of Japanese attending American schools a sidelight thrown on the decorum demanded of Japanese school children at home is interesting...

By Rail to the Last Forbidden City.

A railway from Damascus to Mecca, connecting the forbidden holy city of the Mohammedans with the outside world, will be perhaps the most picturesque achievement of the world during the year 1907...

A Suggestion For New Year's.

Instead of making impossible resolutions in regard to reading a long list of books, why is it not a good idea to write down a list of the twelve months and put opposite each the name of a single good book that you might read to advantage?

TWAIN AND THE TELEPHONE

Mark Hears the Telharmonium and Incidentally Tells a Story.

"The trouble about these beautiful, novel things is that they interfere so with one's arrangements. Every time I see or hear a new wonder like this I have to postpone my death right off. I couldn't possibly leave the world until I have heard this again and again..."

BELLAMY AND MARIA.

Names Given to White House Kittens by the President.

Samantha, a mature and motherly cat, long a favorite pet of the White House, brought added joy to the hearts of the youngest Roosevelt children by bringing into the world the other day a pair of kittens...

Ellis Island, Not Plymouth Rock.

In an article in the January number of the North American Review by Dr. Darlington, president of the board of health of New York city, is this interesting and highly significant anecdote: "A New York schoolteacher recently tried to get from her class some intelligent answers to questions regarding important facts in United States history..."

Flags Proposed For All Postoffices.

Flags are to be provided for every postoffice in the United States under the terms of a bill recently introduced in the house by Representative Cocks of Long Island, who represents the president's district in congress...

CAPE COD CANAL.

To Be Built Within Three Years at a Cost of Ten Million Dollars.

Washington, Dec. 31. The confirmation of the report that a powerful New York banking firm is to provide funds for the construction of the long-talked-of canal across Cape Cod, has caused general satisfaction here. According to government engineers the work should be completed within three years and the benefits to navigation will be great...

SAGE, ALLEN & CO., IMPORTERS AND RETAILERS.

Great Pre-Inventory Sale

NOW IN PROGRESS. Solid, Worth-buying Bargains in Women's Suits, Knit Underwear for both sexes and ages, Kid Gloves and other seasonal and dependable Merchandise.

Pre-Inventory Sale of Gloves.

SOME STRONG BARGAINS.

Always \$1.75 Gloves Now \$1 Women's 3-clasp suede gloves in mode and white, our regular \$1.75 gloves, reduced to close to \$1.00.

\$2 Kid Gloves, \$1.50 Women's 2-clasp black P. K. glace real kid gloves; self stitched Paris point back; always sold at \$2, but to reduce stock before inventory we will sell them at \$1.50.

Long Gloves Reduced Our regular \$2 suede gloves, 8 button length in mode, tan, gray and white, reduced to \$1.50. You are always sure of good value in gloves purchased here.

Always \$1 Gloves Now 75c Women's 2 clasp suede gloves in black and gray with self embroidered backs, all new gloves, but to reduce stock before inventory we will sell them at 75c.

\$2 Trefousse Gloves for \$1.25 Another great bargain is a Trefousse & Co. black suede glove for women; good, heavy, fast black suede, with white stitched seams; an extraordinary value, reduced from \$2 to \$1.25. Another. Women's \$1.50 real kid, 2-clasp gloves, all popular shades, reduced to \$1.15.

Astounding Bargains in Underwear.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE, THE DELIGHT OF AFTER-CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS. BE QUICK TO GET THE BARGAINS.

A Very Unusual Offer.

Women's \$1 Vest and Pants, 69c. This sale gives women's wool vests and pants, white and natural color, all new and fresh; the 75c kind reduced to 50c; the \$1 kind reduced to 69c; and the \$1.50 kind reduced to 95c. We assure you these goods are just as represented, and the sale prices very, very low.

THESE ARE ONLY A HINT. WE ARE SACRIFICING PROFITS TO REDUCE STOCK.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR REDUCED.

Stuttgarter Underwear

Great Price Cutting.

The Stuttgarter sanitary wool vests and pants are standard. We shall sell three-quarter wool garments during the sale reduced from \$2.50 for size 34 to \$1.00 a garment. A rise of 10c a size.

Same make and grade union suits, reduced from \$3.75 for size 34 to \$2.90.

CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR REDUCED. ASK FOR THE OTHER BARGAINS.

Pre-Inventory Bargains in Flannelette Gowns

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SECTION.

Prices Much Reduced

The Pre-Inventory sale gives you a chance to buy flannelette gowns very much under price. Our regular values are unusual and at the reduced prices you are getting as much value as you could expect.

Flannelette gowns in pink and white, and blue and white stripes, all sizes; reduced from 75c to 67c. Similar gowns reduced from 89c to 79c.

Other Equal Values

Flannelette gowns in blue and white stripes, pink and white stripes, and plain white; reduced from \$1 to 89c.

Flannelette gowns in plain white with tucked yoke, trimmed with medallions; reduced from \$2 to \$1.25.

Some of these gowns are collarless, others have tucked yokes and turnover collars.

RESIDENCE On Church Street, FOR SALE!

I have been instructed to offer for sale the thoroughly modern single house on the corner of Church and Locust streets, together with extra lot in the rear. Said house has eight rooms, bath room and pantry, and is fitted with furnace heat, electric lights and hardwood finish throughout.

Fifty acre farm at Manchester Green for rent.

Money to loan on first mortgage at 5 per cent.

Edward J. Holl New Cheney Block. Phone 49-4.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR The original LAXATIVE cough remedy.

For coughs, colds, throat and lung troubles. No opiates. Non-alcoholic. Good for everybody. Sold everywhere. The genuine FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Prepared only by Foley & Company, Chicago. FOR SALE BY BALCH & BROWN.

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"HUB" Ranges and Heaters World's Best. Fully Guaranteed. If not satisfactory, Money Refunded. Heating by Steam, Hot Water and Hot Air. PLUMBING a Specialty. GEORGE R. WRIGHT, SOUTH MANCHESTER, CONN.

Have Just Received a Carload of Sleighs! Sleighs! Have them in all kinds from the light running coaster to the heavy bob sleighs. Prices are right too. Can Sell You a Handsome Fur Overcoat. COAL! COAL! COAL! Have the best grades at the lowest prices. G. H. ALLEN, Coal office, Allen Place, Carriage Repository Depot Square. DR. A. S. GALE, Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist. Will be at T. F. Harrington's stable WEDNESDAY of each week.

HARRY R. WILLIAMS SOLICITOR OF PATENTS. Hartford, Conn. DR. MAY, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Cheney Bldg., Dr. Main's Office. Every Thursday, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. F. T. SADD, Piano Tuner and Regulator. 227 Asylum St., Hartford, Conn. 107 Oxford Street, at Washington.

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HARTFORD NEWSPAPERS.

There is something pathetic about the death of the Hartford Telegram which took place, last Saturday. In the 23 years of its existence a good deal of hard and conscientious work has been put into the sheet.

The establishment of a fourth daily paper in Hartford has engrossed the attention of many newspaper men in the last twenty-five years, and the result of all their effort has been failure.

MR. ARNOTT AND THE CLERKSHIP.

Alexander Arnott, of this place, who is a Republican candidate for the assistant clerkship of the House, has completed his canvass of the Republican members and is much encouraged by their friendly attitude.

Mr. Arnott is well qualified for the clerkship. He is a graduate of the local high school, of Trinity College and the Yale Law School.

RELATED FIGURES.

The report of the State Board of Education for 1906 has just been issued. It is a book of 732 pages and from its length and the character of its contents seems to have escaped the blue pencil of the censoring committee.

Another attempt will be made this winter to induce the legislature to permit telephone competition in this state.

Its charges and greatly improved its service. New telephone users, no matter if they patronized a rival company, could get along without the Southern New England's service for it will be long before another company can begin to cover the points now reached by the Southern New England.

It is given out again that the New York, New Haven & Hartford road is likely to be run by electricity by February 1. This may all be true, but it is a good guess that intelligent management will not start out on so wide a departure and so big an experiment until after Gentle Spring dispels the Beautiful Snow and we get settled weather.

If the esteemed Courant refers to the overhead trolley which is to run through Manchester, we are pleased to see that paper coming around to our way of thinking.

It is a good many years since the cotton industry of New England was as prosperous as it is this first day of January, 1907. Practically all the big concerns in New England have advanced their wage schedule during the last six months and it is a long time since cotton mill employees were so fully employed at such high wages.

Funny Telephone Mixup.

A south end man was an unintentional observer of a funny mixup on the telephone last evening, caused by mistaken identity. The parties who were mixed were a south end doctor of a jovial disposition and a bachelor deacon of exceptional piety.

The mystery was plain to the eavesdropper who nearly fell off his chair with laughter. While the lines were still connected the kind hearted deacon had tried to call, on his own line, a neighbor whose wife was sick.

The informal dance given by the alumni of the high school in high school hall last night was attended by about 40 couples. In this number were included an unusually large number of the older alumni.

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI.

Enjoy a Dance and Elect Officers.

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SPLENDID BARGAINS IN WOMEN'S FUR COATS AND JACKETS AT THE INVENTORY SALE.

\$25 Electric Seal Jackets at \$18. \$32.50 Electric Seal Jackets at \$20. \$37.50 Electric Seal Coats at \$25. \$29 Sable Coney Eton at \$20. \$33.50 Sable Coney blouses at \$22. \$45 Near Seal Jackets at \$31. \$50 Near Seal Coats at \$35, and the balance of our entire cloak, suit and fur stock marked down. Wise, Smith & Co., Hartford.

It is noticeable a cold seldom comes on when the bowels are freely open. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup tastes as pleasant as maple sugar. Free from all opiates. Contains Honey and Tar. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Balch & Brown.

POLICE COURT.

Robert Burns, of Providence, who formerly lived in Manchester, came to town Friday night considerably under the influence of liquor. He meant to call on a relative but instead walked into the wrong house, took off his hat, lay down on the lounge and went to sleep.

Joseph McCreery, who has been on probation for a year under the charge of intoxication, appeared in court Saturday and gave evidence that he had been living up to the terms of his probation. The case against him was nolle and he was released from the custody of the probation officer.

Watch Night Services.

Watch night services were held at a number of the churches about town last night, and also at the Salvation Army barracks. At the latter Lieutenant Edward Perrett, of New York, formerly of this place, gave a lecture at the early service.

The Blind concert company, of Hartford, furnished the principal part of the New Year's entertainment given at the Swedish Lutheran church. They were assisted by home talent and Erick Brandt, of this place, gave a short address.

There was not a very large attendance at any of the watch night services on account of the stormy weather.

Connecticut Patents.

Official list of Patents issued to citizens of Connecticut from the United States Patent Office for the week ending December 25, 1906, as reported from the office of Harry R. Williams, Solicitor of Patents, Connecticut Mutual Building, Hartford.

Albert J. Aubrey, Meriden, Sight for firearms. David F. Broderick, New Britain, Dipping Mechanism for electroplating apparatus.

George P. Butler, New Haven, Screw-driver. Fritz Hellar, Southington, Hand-controlled tool.

Thomas C. Johnson, New Haven, Firearm.

Thomas C. Johnson, New Haven, Cartridge-stop for tubular-magazine guns. Lucena M. Merden, Waterbury, Divided ring for loose-leaf books.

Louis Myers, Derby, Type-writing machine. George L. Sargent, New Haven, & A. A. Page, East Haven, Floathing.

Frank E. Seeley, Bridgeport, Incan descent-lamp socket.

Clarence E. Smith, New Britain, Buckle.

Herbert L. Smith, Bridgeport, Electrical Switch and socket-key.

Charles G. Taylor, Hartford, Combination-tool.

Alonzo A. Warner, New Britain, Bread mixer and kneader.

Isaac A. Watrous, West Haven, Automatic electric reverse-switch.

George P. Ittig, Bridgeport, Fork or spoon or similar article.

William E. Stevens, New Haven, Casket-trimming.

TRADE-MARKS.

Collins Company, Collinsville, Certain named edged-tools.

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Horace Barber Distilling Co., Warehouse Point, Gin.

Monohansett Mfg. Co., Putnam, Sheetings and shirtings.

Plume & Atwood Mfg. Co., Waterbury, Straight solid-headed pins.

Son Brothers & Co., Meriden, Pocket-knives.

Standard Brush Co., New Hartford, All kinds of solid back brushes.

Union Metallic Cartridge Company, Bridgeport, Cartridges.

Spotwood D. Bowers, Bridgeport, "The Vanderbilt Cup Course," (for a game.)

MAKES THE LIVER LIVELY.

Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup gives permanent relief in cases of habitual constipation as it stimulates the liver and restores the natural action of the bowels without irritating these organs like pills or ordinary cathartics. Does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Remember the name Orino and refuse substitutes. Balch & Brown.

EVERYTHING MARKED DOWN AT NEW ENGLAND'S LARGEST CLOAK DEPT.

For instance the Women's \$10 Tailor Made Suits at the Inventory Sale are now \$5. The \$13.98 Tailor Made Suits are now \$8. The Tailor Made Suits up to \$19.98, now selling at \$11 and at \$14, now get choice of tailored suits worth up to \$25.98. Wise, Smith & Co., Hartford.

POISON OR RABIES?

Violent Actions of Dogs Various Accounted For—Chief Sheridan Thinks They Should Be Muzzled.

The mad dog scare, which has held many surrounding towns in its clutches during the past two years, seems at last to have fastened upon Manchester.

There seems to be no proof that there are or have been any dogs affected with the rabies here. Although more than 40 dogs have been shot by the police since last summer none of them were examined for traces of hydrophobia. In the past week eight dogs have been killed which showed symptoms of rabies.

Chief of Police Sheridan, when interviewed this morning, said that in his opinion the majority of dogs which had died suddenly in town during the past year had not been poisoned but had been affected with the dumb rabies, a less violent form of hydrophobia. He bases his opinion on the statement of a prominent veterinary of Hartford.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Center Congregational.

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St. Mary's Episcopal.

The Sunday school teachers will meet after the evening service Wednesday.

The Ladies' Guild will meet in the parish house Thursday afternoon.

Swedish Lutheran.

The Ladies' sewing society will meet with Mrs. Bolin, over the Boston store, Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

South Methodist.

Rev. W. F. Davis baptized several young children in the Birch mountain district Sunday afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. W. S. Ferris, 46 Foster street, Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. W. F. Davis will exchange with Rev. Mr. Allen, of Burnside, a week from next Sunday.

North Congregational.

Rev. Charles N. Lovell and George B. Slater will represent the North Congregational church at the council of dismissal which will be held at the East Hartford Congregational church next Friday.

Rev. W. B. Tutill, who has been pastor at East Hartford for some years, has accepted a call elsewhere.

The annual rental of the pews in the North Congregational church will take place at the church next Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

At the close of the church prayer meeting next Thursday evening the annual meeting of the church will be held. Beside the routine business to be transacted a deacon to succeed Wilbur F. Hill will be elected.

Clear up the complexion, cleanse the liver and tone the system. You can best do this by a dose or two of DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Safe, reliable little pills with a reputation. The pills that everyone knows. Recommended by Balch & Brown.

"They like the taste as well as maple sugar" is what one mother wrote of Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. This modern cough syrup is absolutely free from any opiate or narcotic. Contains Honey, Tar. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Balch & Brown.

THE ORIGINAL LAXATIVE COUGH SYRUP. KENNEDY'S LAXATIVE HONEY AND TAR. Red Clover Blossom and Honey Set on Every Bottle.

PARLOR FURNITURE

-AT-

Amazingly Low Prices.

Our January Inventory Clearance Sale is under way. This means that we are disposing of a large number of odd pieces of good furniture at prices below cost and others at splendid reductions.

Study These Values.

Table with columns NO., WAS, NOW. Lists various furniture items and their prices, such as Upholstered parlor rocker, Odd upholstered chair, etc.

Neal, Goff & Inglis Co., 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986 Main St., HARTFORD, CONN.

PURE EXTRACT VANILLA

The Pure Food and Drug Law requires that Extract Vanilla so labeled shall be made from vanilla and nothing else. The cheap imitations of Vanilla made from dangerous artificial chemicals must be labeled compound or mixtures— but they can no longer be wrongfully labeled vanilla which they are not.

The Rapelye Drug Co. Cheney Block, Next Door to Post Office.

Open the bowels and get 'the cold out of your system. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup opens the bowels and at the same time allays the inflammation of the mucous membranes. Contains Honey and Tar. Drives out the cold and stops the cough. Absolutely free from any opiates. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Pleasant to take. Sold by Balch & Brown.

Mothers who give their children Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup invariably endorse it. Children like it because the taste is so pleasant. Contains Honey and Tar. It is the Original Laxative Cough Syrup and is unrivaled for the relief of croup, bowels. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Balch & Brown.

Fourteen price restricted articles, barring these, our entire stocks of merchandise at quick selling mark down prices. Wise, Smith & Co., Hartford.

When You Want REAL ESTATE

Of any description, either for own use or investment come to headquarters. Single houses, prices \$1,300 to \$5,000. Two family houses, the best of investments, \$1,500 to \$5,000. Farms, all sizes, 10 to 600 acres, at all prices, \$1,000 to \$10,000.

A. H. Skinner. BANK BUILDING, South Manchester.

WANTED, FOR SALE, ETC.

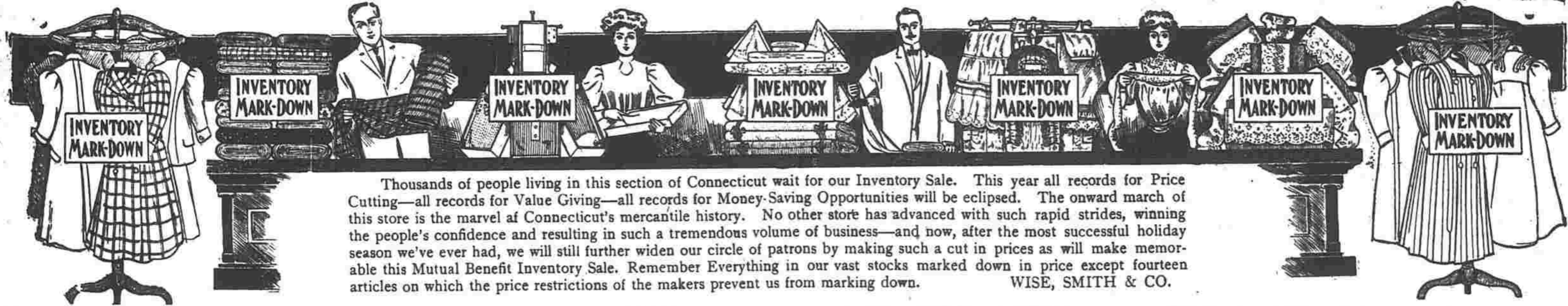
FOUND: Two rabbit dogs. Came to my house Thursday evening about 7:30. Owner can have same by paying damages. Walter Weeder, 30 Adams street. LOST: A pocketbook containing about \$30. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to Dr. H. L. Thilston, North Main street. TO RENT: Three good tenements cheap. A number of heating stoves at low prices. Organs and pianos at very low prices. Also a pool table and a cash register for sale. Lodge room and several other rooms to rent. B. C. Apel.

FOR SALE.

Ten registered Buff Orpington hens from W. L. Davis's Willowbrook farm. Last year's pullets, strictly pure blooded stock. Also four pullets and two cockerels of the same pure blood. Would like to sell the lot on very reasonable terms. Anyone wishing this breed of poultry cannot find a purer strain. Address or call on MARO S. CHAPMAN, South Manchester.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR stops the cough and heals the lungs

Great Semi-Annual . . . Inventory Clearance Sale! Wise, Smith & Company



Thousands of people living in this section of Connecticut wait for our Inventory Sale. This year all records for Price Cutting—all records for Value Giving—all records for Money-Saving Opportunities will be eclipsed. The onward march of this store is the marvel of Connecticut's mercantile history. No other store has advanced with such rapid strides, winning the people's confidence and resulting in such a tremendous volume of business—and now, after the most successful holiday season we've ever had, we will still further widen our circle of patrons by making such a cut in prices as will make memorable this Mutual Benefit Inventory Sale. Remember Everything in our vast stocks marked down in price except fourteen articles on which the price restrictions of the makers prevent us from marking down.

Holyoke Manufacturers Stocks of Stationery

LOT 1—4,000 boxes of stationery, worth 15c to 19c, on sale at 7c a box.
LOT 2—2,000 boxes of stationery, worth 25c, on sale at 10c box.

Wonderful Handkerchief Bargains

Come to the Inventory Sale and buy:
Men's large size, good quality handkerchiefs, while they last, come early, six for 19c.
Women's good quality handkerchiefs while they last, come early, six for 12 1-2c.
Men's \$1 silk mufflers at 75c. Men's \$1.50 silk mufflers at \$1.

Inventory Clearance Prices at Women's Ready Wear Department

SATEEN PETTICOATS, deep flounce of shirring, slashed with ruffles; regular price \$1.25, sale price 88c.
WOMEN'S BLOUSE SWEATERS, "V" neck, with full sleeves, white, navy, black, gray and cardinal; regular price \$1.98, Inventory Sale price \$1.25.
WOMEN'S NIGHT GOWNS, clear stripe flannelette yokes with combination brand, ruffle collar; regular price 59c, Inventory Sale price 42c.
HEAVY JEAN CORSETS, new long back and dip hip, with hose supporters at front and sides, white and drab, sizes 18 to 30; regular 75c kind at 50c.
WOMEN'S WAISTS, sateen, gingham, chambray, cheviot and flannelette, tucked front, pleated back; regular price 50c, sale price 39c.
FLANNELETTE KIMONAS, pink and blue stripe, scallop edge all around, large sleeves; regular price 25c, Inventory Sale price 19c.
FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS, black, blue, gray, wide flounce skirt, tailor-made waist, sizes 34 to 46; value \$1.25, sale price 85c.
CHILDREN'S DRESSES, pretty outing flannel dresses, ruffle over shoulders; regular 25c kind at 22c.
INFANTS' WOOL SHIRTS, button down front, finished with silk ribbon; regular price 25c, sale price 18c.

Save Money on

Linens and Domestics

Soft finish bleached cotton, 36-inches wide; regular price 7 1-2c, Inventory Sale price 6c.
45-inch bleached pillow case cotton, only one case of the 12 1-2c kind to sell at 9c.
10-4 Eastern wool blankets, extra heavy quality, bound with silk binding, assorted borders; regular value \$3.25, sale price \$2.59 pair.
Bleached table damask, assorted patterns; regular 29c kind at the Inventory Sale 22c.
Fringed tray cloths, all linen, large size; regular 12 1-2c kind at 10c.
Bleached sheets, made of soft-finish cotton, hemmed ready for use, size 81x90; regular price 48c, sale price 42c.
Bleached pillow cases, size 42x36 and 45x36, made of good cotton; regular value 11c, Inventory Sale price 8 1-2c each.
Linen finish pillow cases, size 42x36, three inch hem, ready to use; regular 15c kind at 11 1-2c.
White crochet spreads, assorted patterns, hemmed ready for use; regular price \$1.25, Inventory Sale 95c.
Fringed crochet spreads, cut corners, assorted patterns, and full size; value \$1.50, at this sale \$1.29.

Inventory Sale Bargains Dress Goods and Silks

All Wool Amure Suiting, 38 inches wide, newest plain shades; regular price, 50c. Sale Price, 32c.
56-inch Gray Check Tailor Suiting in overlaid effects, dark and light colorings; regular value, 75c. Inventory Sale Price, 49c.
Plain Henrietta and Serges, warranted all wool, all the wanted shades; 59c. kind at 47c.
One lot of Plain, Fancy and Mottre Silks, good assortment of colors and figures; were 50c. to 89c. Inventory Sale Price, 35c.

Wash Goods

Plain Eiderdown, all colors and cream color; regular price, 25c. Sale Price, 17c.
Fancy Eiderdown in a large assortment of patterns and colorings; 33c. kind at 19c.
Figured Flannellets in all the newest patterns and colorings; regular price, 10c. Inventory Sale Price, 8 1-2c.
36-inch Dress Percales in a large assortment of newest patterns, dark and light grounds; regular 11c kind at 8c.

Women's Hosiery and School Hose

At Inventory Sale Prices.

Women's black cotton Hosiery with all white feet—Run of the mill. Inventory Sale Price, 9c. pair.
Women's Hosiery with split soles, and all wool Maco feet, worth 15c. Sale Price, 11c. pair.
Women's fine Seamless black cotton Hosiery, good value at 12 1-2c. Sale Price 10c. pair.
Women's Extra fine full-fashionable black cotton Hosiery; regular price 25c. Sale Price 19c. pair.
Black Ribbed School Hosiery for boys and girls, heavy weight; excellent value 12 1-2c. Sale Price 9c. pair.

Losing Money at the Cloak Dep't

Yes, we are perfectly willing to lose money now. The volume of business in our Cloak Department is so immense that we find it necessary to keep assortments complete right up to the very last minute—and now, after the greatest season's business, we are determined to make a clean sweep of the cloak stock. In hundreds of instances you'll find prices here now far below cost of making.

Women's Stylish Long Coats.

Including the very latest in black broadcloth and kersey, in fancy mixtures, in velour, broad-tail and crushed velvet; also a choice selection of raincoats—all at less than cost.
AT \$4—about 60 garments, values up to \$8.98.
AT \$6—220 garments, values up to \$11.98.
AT \$9—400 garments, values up to \$17.50.
AT \$12—210 garments, values up to \$21.98.
AT \$15—310 garments, values up to \$28.98.



Women's Tailor Made Skirts.

In silk, voiles, broadcloths, Panamas and mixtures.
Price reduced to \$2.60, \$3.60, \$4.60, \$7.60, \$9.60, and \$12.60.

FURS FURS FURS

An immense assortment of stylish and durable neckpieces and muffs, including natural squirrel, sable and Isabella fox, opossum, lynx and sable wolf, mink and ermine.
Have been \$4.98. For this sale \$3.00.
Have been \$7.98. For this sale \$5.00.
Have been \$9.98. For this sale \$7.00.
Have been \$15.98. For this sale \$10.00.
Have been \$19.98. For this sale \$15.00.
Have been \$34.98. For this sale \$22.00.

Women's Tailor-Made Suits

More than a thousand to choose from, and every suit, without any reserve, at LESS THAN COST.
AT \$5—About ninety suits, values up to \$10.
AT \$8—A hundred and ten suits, values up to \$13.98.
AT \$11—Two hundred and ten black and colored suits, values up to \$19.98.
AT \$14—Your choice of eighty handsome tailored suits, values up to \$24.98.

Children's and Misses' Cloaks

More than 700 to choose from, and every one at a decided price reduction.
AT \$3—Children's and Misses' Cloaks, regular value up to \$4.98.
AT \$4—Children's and Misses' Cloaks, regular values up to \$6.98.
AT \$5—Children's and Misses' Cloaks, regular value up to \$8.98.
AT \$7—Children's and Misses' Cloaks, regular value up to \$11.98.

Rich Fur Coats and Blouses

Including Sable Squirrel, Sable Coney, Persian Lamb, Near-Seal and Electric Seal, plain and trimmed.
AT \$18 Fur Coats formerly sold at \$25.00.
AT \$25 Fur Coats formerly sold at \$37.50.
AT \$31 Fur Coats formerly sold at \$45.00.

Entire Stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Shoes and Hats Marked 'Way Down.

MEN'S \$8 SUITS AND OVERCOATS AT \$4.75—Suits of cheviot and mixtures, overcoats of blue, black and oxford melton and beaver.
MEN'S \$12 AND \$15 SUITS AND OVERCOATS AT \$8.88—Suits of pure worsted in silk mixtures and overlaid, black thibets, cassimeres; overcoats in all wool kersey, serges and melton, black, blue, gray and fancy.
MEN'S \$20 AND \$22.50 SUITS AND OVERCOATS AT \$14.50—"Kirschbaum" made. Suits of cassimeres, black unfinished worsteds; overcoats of black or gray meltons and kerseys.
Men's \$1.25 working pants, black or striped, 89c. pair. Sizes 32 to 46 waist.
Men's \$2.00 trousers at \$1.29—all sizes, the reliable "Reading" hairline cassimeres and corduroys.
Men's \$3 all wool trousers at \$1.98.
Men's \$5 storm collar frieze and melton reefers, \$3.89.
Men's \$10 storm collar ulsters at \$7.95.
Men's \$1.50 and \$2 soft hats at \$59c.
Men's \$1.50 derbies at 98c.
BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS 89c—Buster Brown and blouse suits, sizes 2 1-2 to 9. Double breasted suits, sizes 7 to 15. Russian overcoats, sizes 3 to 8, Inventory sale price 89c.
BOYS' OVERCOATS \$1.95—Sizes 3 to 16. Russian style, in blue and gray; worth \$3 and \$3.50. Inventory sale price \$1.95.
BOYS' PANTS, 19c—Sizes 3 to 14. Blue and mixtures; cut full size; taped seams; value 39c. Sale prices 19c.
BOYS' COMBINATION SUITS \$1.89—Consisting of double breasted jacket and two pair trousers; blues and fancies; sizes 8 to 16; regular price \$3. Sale price \$1.89.
MEN'S SHOES AT \$1.19—Regular \$1.75 grade, in good heavy satin calf.
MEN'S SHOES \$1.94—Worth \$2.50 and \$3. Vici kid, velour, box calf and patent leather.
MEN'S FELT BOOTS—Combination felt boots, best quality. Here at \$2.23.

Furnish Your Home with Good Serviceable Furniture

Carpets, Draperies, Rugs and Upholsteries, all at Inventory Sale Prices.
Here are a Few Random Selections from our Mammoth Stock:
Felt Mattresses, full size, genuine all felt; value \$10. At this Sale \$6.69.
Rocking Chairs made of oak with upholstered spring seats, covered in fine velour, value \$6.75. Sale Price, \$4.48.
Dining Room Chairs, box seat, made of oak, open cane seat, \$2.25 value. For \$1.69.
Heating Stoves, full size, handsome nickel trimmed; value \$25. Just a dozen to sell at \$16.69.
"Hub" Ranges, full size cabinet base, nickel trimmed, complete with high shelf; value \$30. Inventory Sale \$21.75.
Wall Papers, for every room in the house; value up to 50c. Sale Price 15c roll.
Ready Mixed Paint, "American Seal," quart size; regular price 50c. Sale Price 36c.
Ingrain Art Squares, 2x3 yards; value \$3.50. Sale Price \$2.66.
Reversible Smyrna Rugs, size 4x7 feet; value \$4.95. Sale Price \$3.98.
Ingrain Carpet, the extra Super Pure Wool kind; value 89c. Sale Price 66c yard.
Floor Oil Cloth, No. 1, extra heavy, well seasoned, 50c quality at 35c yard.
Ruffled Fish Net Lace Curtains, white or Ecru; value 89c. Inventory Sale Price 59c pair.
Tapestry Portiere Curtains; value up to \$10. At the Inventory Sale \$4.99 pair.
Furniture Tapestry, all colors, 50 in. wide; value 89c. Sale Price 66c yard.
Colored Curtains, in stripe and floral designs; value 25c. Inventory Sale Price 15c yard.
Oil Opaque Window Shades, complete ready to hang; value 50c. Sale Price 33c each.
Steel Couch Beds with reinforced National Fabric Spring complete with mattress and bolster; value \$9.75. Sale Price \$6.99.
White Enamel Beds all sizes with brass rail on head and foot piece; value \$5.75. At this Sale \$4.39.
Extension Tables with round tops and pedestal base; value \$15. Inventory Sale Price \$10.99.

Remarkable Bargains at the Inventory Sale in

Men's Dependable Furnishings.

LOT 1—Men's and boys' heavy worsted sweaters, oxford and navy, regular 50c and 75c values, for 39c.
LOT 2—Men's negligee shirts, made of woven cheviot and madras cloths, sizes 15 1-2 to 17 1-2, regular 50c value, sale price 35c.
LOT 3—Eighty dozen men's fast black and brown half hose, winter weight, regular 12 1-2c values, sale price 8 cts.
LOT 4—One case of men's ecru Jersey ribbed underwear, winter weight, regular 50c value, sale price 37c.
LOT 5—One lot of men's white laundered bosom shirts, sizes 14, 14 1-2, 17, 17 1-2 and 18, slightly mussed, regular 50c and 75c values, at the Inventory sale 25c.
LOT 6—Men's natural camel's hair black and dark grey mixed wool half hose, regular 15c value, sale price 11c.
LOT 7—Wright's health underwear, white wool fleeced; shirts have French neck; drawers have overlock steam; regular \$1 quality; sale price 69c.
LOT 8—One lot of boy's outing and domet flannel blouses and shirt waists, 25c and 39c values, Inventory sale price 19c.

Women's \$1.50 Kid Gloves at 50c.

We've four hundred and fifty pairs of women's kid gloves, some of which are slightly mended come in all colors and nearly all sizes; values up to \$1.50, but we'll sell them at the Inventory sale for 50c pair.
Women's black all wool golf gloves; regular price, 25c. Inventory sale price, 19c pair.
Women's 8-button length Glace Mousquetaire kid gloves; very special at \$1.25 pair.

Knit Underwear

At Inventory Clearance Prices.

[MAIN FLOOR.]

Women's fleeced Jersey vests and pants, made of pure combed yarn, nicely trimmed and finished, regular 50c grade at 35c.
Misses' fleeced Jersey vests and pants, all sizes, regular price 25c. Sale price 19c.
Boys' heavy fleece lined shirts and drawers, shirts with pearl buttons, drawers with suspender tapes, regular price 25c, sale price 21c.
Children's fleeced Jersey vests and pants, worth 25c. At this sale 15c.
The "Merit" undergarment for boys and girls, tubular shapes, no binding of muscles, regular price 25c. Inventory sale price 14c.

The Best Time to Buy FOOTWEAR

Is Now and at the Inventory Sale.

We'll sell our regular \$3.50 line of women's Dongola and patent colt skin shoes, high grade stylish footwear, for \$3.19 a pair.
Our women's \$3.00 shoes in dongola, patent colt skin and gun metal calf shoes, very serviceable and stylish at \$2.59 a pair.
Women's 50c black felt house slippers at 43c.
Women's \$1.00 felt house slippers, in black, red and brown at 89c.
Children's 25c all button Jersey leggings, sizes 5 to 10, at 19c.
Misses' 35c Jersey all button leggings, sizes 11 to 2, at 29c.
Women's 50c Jersey all button leggings at 43c.
Little gent's box calf, vici kid and patent calf skin lace shoes; regular price \$1.39. Inventory sale price \$1.23.
Boys' \$1.39 Satin calf lace shoes at \$1.23.
Children's 2-buckle arctics for school wear, sizes 8 1-2 to 10 1-2; regular \$1.00 kind at 89c.
ALL TRUNKS, BAGS AND SUIT CASES AT INVENTORY SALE CUT PRICES.

Inventory Sale Bargains in Kitchen Ware and House Furnishings

Brooms made of Good Green Corn, regular 25c kind . . . at 15c
Grandma's Borax Washing Powder . . . 2c package
Laundry Blue, regular 9c quart bottle . . . for 5
Oval Shape Galvanized Iron Wash Boilers with Wood Handles, regular dollar kind . . . at 69c
Wash Benches of Hard Wood, will fold up; regular dollar kind . . . for 69c
Mop Sticks with adjustable spring head, 10c kind . . . at 6c
Scrub Brushes, solid back, 15c kind . . . at 7c
White Stone China Cups and Saucers, 10c kind . . . at 5c pair
Dinner Plates, very large, 10c kind . . . at 5c
Soup Plates, regular 10c kind . . . at 5c
Genuine Imported English Jet Tea Plates, plain and fancy decorations; regular price, 50c. Just half price at this sale . . . 25c
Japanese Teapots, all sizes, 50c kinds . . . at 25c
Fancy Imported China Cups and Saucers, 19c kind . . . at 10c pair
Parlor Lamp with Rochester Burner; Globe and Vase decorated to match; \$4.00 value . . . for \$2.19
Gas Heating Radiators, regular \$2.50 value . . . for \$1.89
"Puritan" Oil Heaters, brass oil tank; worth \$5.00
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TRAPPED ... By ... A. J. HOWELL, Jr.

I HAVE always done reckless things. In fact, I have always regarded myself as a victim to a keen, irresistible relish for adventure.

I often recall my first trip to Ethelburg a year or more ago, with just what feelings I will leave you to judge.

fell into musing how glorious it would be to settle down right there—with her—to spend the balance of my life in the rich delights of country life.

I did not hesitate. Perhaps I should have done so, paying some regard to the proprieties of the case.

me to recognize you so promptly. It has been ten years since I saw you, and time makes great changes, doesn't it?"

"Yes," I assented and looked at her with wondering eyes. A problem, deep and inexplicable, forced itself upon me.

"I beg pardon," I said, with a show of great surprise, "but I shall have to return to the postoffice."

"Indeed!" she answered. "And, do you know, I have been thinking for some time that I neglected to go by my dressmaker's."

The peerage has its troubles, like all of us. A writer in a paper written by marchionesses for marchionesses is rather plaintive.

firm-rating could stand it, and also that we had the goods to sell and the prices to make them go.



I TOOK AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY, "PLEASE PARDON ME."

all right, though, and soon had the two men seated with me listening to some new yarns that I had several times used to good advantage.

We were introduced, and I was oppressed by the cool reserve in her manner, but in a moment I took advantage of an opportunity to say in a low voice:

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"Why do you write things that nobody understands?" "Because," answered the litterateur, "people take it for granted that I understand it and therefore give me credit for superior intelligence."

TO THEM WHO WAIT. Bill made a call upon his Jane; Paw sat in the next room. A very sad arrangement this—They had no chance to spoon.

Papa came in to take a look; He thought they were too still, But Jane was sitting over there, While over here was Bill.

Editor—Your novel is stolen—every word, except the title. Author—How do you like the title?—Fliegende Blätter.

He Didn't Say He Could Stop It. Pat had obtained employment as a hostler and was greatly interested in the iron horses under his care.

Speaking of phonetic spelling, we certainly need it, from this story: Little Willie came home from school one afternoon crying, and on being asked by his mother the cause he told his mother that he had missed a word in spelling and had been whipped by his teacher.

It Varied. The late Judge Saunders of North Carolina was noted as an angler, but he had a poor memory as to the weight of the fish he had taken.

Those Useless Questions. How many of our words are absolutely superfluous, serving no end but the waste of time.

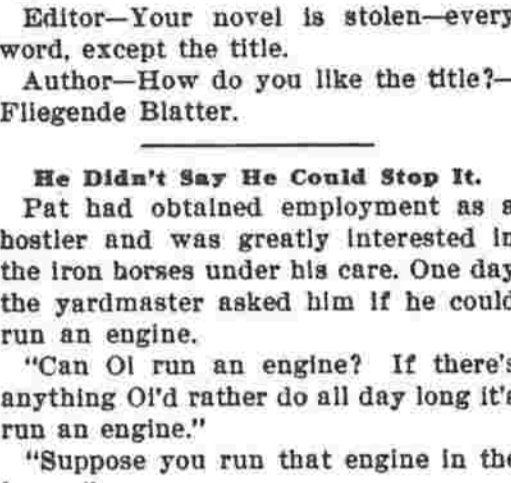
Hope Ahead. "Dis paper," said Weary Walker, "sez dey's quite a few people dat t'inks it's unlucky to begin work on Friday."

A Wise Fellow. Wigg—the last I saw of you Young-pop was talking you to death about his baby. How did you get rid of him?

HUMOR

POOR JOHN!

He is a "Poor Sinner" because He Wanted to Get to Sleep. "John," "Yes, dear," "Did you lock the basement door?"



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"Oh, my heavenly Father, have mercy on this poor sinner and give me patience to"— "Shut up!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Flattery. Governor Frank Frantz of Oklahoma tells the following story of camp life with the rough riders before they were transported to Cuba:

"Mamma, can't I go up to the next block an' play with the Jones boys?" asked Henry, a boy of six, who was being brought up very carefully.

A Mouse's Fears. Tommy had been a town mouse all his life up to the present year, but work had been plentiful with dad, who was discussing with his wife the desirability of sending Tommy a week into the country.

His Desire. "The Loafer—Wouldn't I like to pawn yer—Tatter."

Original. Patience—Has he got any original ideas? Patrice—Oh, yes! He thinks he's a great man.—Yonkers Statesman.

