

PURCELL'S

CHARLOTTE'S PROGRESSIVE READY-TO-WEAR STORE

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TUESDAY MORNING AT 9:30 WE START

The Greatest Clearance Sale of Winter Garments and Muslin Underwear

That Was Ever Offered The Charlotte Public

Prices for this sale have been cut to the lowest possible point. Cost of the garments or what they would bring were not given consideration. Quick action and an absolute clearance we must have. The Charlotte women know we never misrepresent or disappoint them. Last week our mark-down sale brought to us the largest crowds and the biggest sales in the history of our business. This week we expect better results, because better values—every garment must go at some price.

BE ON HAND PROMPTLY AT 9:30 TUESDAY MORNING

You will miss the opportunity of the season if you miss this sale

Women's Suits

Such Suit values have never before been created by us, and to give you an idea of the bargains to expect, we offer at

\$11.95

Unrestricted choice of every Winter Suit in our store, and in addition to this we are offering about 50 brand new Spring Suits of Serges, Navy and Black; also some Fancies, Gray and Tan, all at one price, \$11.95—Suits that formerly sold at \$20, \$25, \$29.50 up to \$39.50. Early choosing advisable.

Coats

Only about 25 Winter Coats, but at these prices they will move in a hurry:

\$25.00 Caracul Coats at \$15.00
\$22.50 and \$15.00 Cloth Coats at \$9.50

New Spring Coats, \$12.50, Worth \$20

Just to make this sale interesting to all, those who prefer spring weights to winter weights, we have added just 25 brand new Spring Coats, just from their wrappings. Made of good sturdy Serges, Navy and Black, some with mannish collars, others with the new sailor collars, trimmed with little touches of Persian and satin or plaid collars. They are indeed most stylish and attractive Coats. You will be fortunate to purchase one of them at such low prices. Not a Coat in the lot worth less than \$17.50 to \$22.50. This clearance sale price \$12.50

Women's Mannish Rain Coats

\$4.95 for Rain Coats worth up to \$10. Rubber surface coated Mannish Coats with button close collar. All sizes and in colors Tan and Gray. Silk Coats and lot of odd Coats go in this sale. An excellent opportunity for money saving, and prepare for the rainy season—27 of these Coats only. Come early.

Shirt Waists

Two groups to offer in this clearance sale:

Lot No. 1 at 98c—Waists of Batiste, linen and embroidery trimmed Lawn; Waists worth \$1.50 up to \$2.50. Lot No. 2 at \$1.50—Waists of Taffeta Silk and Tailored Linen and Imported Batiste, beautifully trimmed. Some of these Waists are worth \$2.00, \$2.50 to \$3.98.

Furs

The prices are almost nothing we have placed on the small stock of Furs we have left: One lot small Scarfs formerly sold at \$10.00 and \$12.50. Sale Price \$3.50

Skirts

\$4.98 for values worth up to \$8.50. We offer you choice of lot of good styles Panama and Serge Skirts, Navy and Black. Not a bad style in the lot, and worth \$6.50, \$7.50 and 8.50. Sale Price \$4.98

Silk Petticoats

\$2.98 for Petticoats worth \$5.00 and \$6.00. It is a fixed policy with Purcell's never to carry a silk Petticoat in stock longer than six months, hence these values, and always fresh stock, which means satisfactory petticoats. Few Persians in this lot, but mostly Blacks, worth \$5.00 and \$6.00. Sale Price \$2.98

Wool Dresses, \$8.95, Worth up to \$22.50

To be exact, we have just thirty-five Wool Dresses left from winter Stock. These Dresses sold at \$15.00, \$17.50 up to \$22.50. Clearance Sale Price \$8.95

Muslin Underwear

Uncomparable values. Invoicing our stock last week we found a great many garments slightly soiled and mussed from counter display, some odd garments and some lines we intend discontinuing. The low prices we put on these garments make them attractive and they will be eagerly sought for by every woman economically inclined. Remember this is not a lot of cheaply made Underwear, gotten up for sale purposes, but garments worthy of this store's reputation—well made in every particular, only slightly soiled. Note the reductions:

Corset Covers

25c Values, Sale Price 15c
75 and 50c values, Sale Price 29c
\$1.00 values, Sale Price 49c

Gowns

75 and 98c values, Sale Price 59c
\$1.50 values, Sale Price 98c
\$2.00 values, Sale Price \$1.39

Petticoats

\$1.00 and 75c values, Sale Price 50c
\$1.50 values, Sale Price 98c
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Combination Suits

Corset Cover and Drawers, 65c values, Sale Price 39c

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This is strictly a clearance sale in every sense, and at these low prices goods must be paid for at time of purchase. No C.O.D. or approvals; but money refunded on unsatisfactory purchases, if returned same day. TUESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, AT 9:30

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aga and the insurgents have about the same number in the district. Insurgents who were in the fire last Tuesday declare that 150 soldiers were killed. A Federal army officer with the reinforcing detachment reports that 100 Federals were killed. No reports have been received regarding the casualties in the fighting Thursday and Friday.

Teacher—"Now, what little boy can tell me what is the most important canal in the world?" Pupil—"I kin, mum." Teacher—"Very well, Willie, you may tell me what is the most important canal in the world." Pupil—"The alimentary canal, mum." Judge.

Biograph's latest feature picture, Amuse U today.

Can't look well, eat well or feel well with impure blood feeding your body. Keep the blood pure with Burdock Blood Bitters. Eat simply, take exercise, keep clean and you will have long life.

Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum gets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment cures the most obstinate cases. Why suffer. All druggists sell it.

Don't use harsh physics. The reaction weakens the bowels, leads to chronic constipation. Get Doan's Regulents. They operate easily, tone the stomach, cure constipation.

Farmer (12:30 a. m.)—"Whatcher deavin' roun' my henhouse?" Rastus—"Ah—h's jest returnin' an oat bag wot yoh drapped outen yoh waggin last time yoh druv ter town."—Boston Record.

The country is to be flooded with cold storage eggs. That's bad news. Break it gently.

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When he has no confidence in himself nor his fellow men. When he values success more than character and self-respect. When he does not try to make his work a little better each day. When he becomes so absorbed in his work that he cannot say that life is greater than work. When he lets a day go by without making some one happier and more comfortable. When he tries to rule others by bullying instead of by example. When he values wealth above health, self-respect, and the good opinion of others. When he is so burdened by his business that he finds no time for rest and recreation. When he loves his own plans and interests more than humanity. When his friends like him for what he has more than for what he is. When he knows that he is in the wrong, but is afraid to admit it. When he envies others because they have more ability, talent, or wealth than he has. When he does not care what happens to his neighbor or to his friend so long as he is prosperous. When he is so busy doing that he has no time for smiles and cheering words. True as preaching. This also is true: The place to buy your insurance is at Insurance Headquarters, where you get the best insurance on the market.

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Committees Hard At Work. The committees appointed by Mr. C. O. Kuester to canvass the city in behalf of the interurban car line system spent two busy days Saturday and today. They are to report at the Greater Charlotte club this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Four committees were appointed to raise the balance of the \$300,000 necessary to authorize the beginning of the work and to secure the signature of the shippers of the city to the contract on the promise that they will give the new road one half of their business. It is anticipated that there will be no difficulty either in securing the remainder of the necessary \$300,000 or in securing the promise of the shippers to give the new road 50 per cent of their business. It is so obviously a clear and attractive business proposition that the average business man will see at once an immense advantage to himself, little matter what his line of business may be. One of the strongest reasons as to why the shippers and others should lend their united and hearty support to the proposition was advanced by a leading business man this morning. "There is one thing," he said, "that should make every Charlottean rush to accept the overtures of the Piedmont syndicate at once. It is something that is not mentioned in the contract, but something that will mean almost as much to the city as to the entrance of the interurban line itself. That question will also be largely decided by the action of the shippers in Charlotte today. The shops that must be erected to install and keep this immense interurban system in operation should be located at Charlotte. Charlotte is centrally located as to the whole interurban system and it should be seen to that the shops are located here. "That question," he continued, "is not up for discussion now and no suggestion has been given the public as to the location of the shops, but nevertheless a great deal depends on what Charlotte does today as to whether the shops will be located here or not. When the time comes to select a site for such a plan it will be remembered whether Charlotte showed an interest in the movement commensurate with size and wealth or whether she appeared rather indifferent about it. The number of signatures attached to that contract will also be taken as an index as to the interest Charlotte has taken in the matter and it will redound to Charlotte's growth and welfare immensely if she sends in the largest number of shippers' signatures of any city in the circuit."

The Recorder's Mill Of Snow. Jim Whitby, a hardworking white man who has contributed almost weekly to the city's sinking fund because of his fondness for alcoholic beverages, told Recorder Smith in the police court this morning that he was not drunk Sunday morning when arrested, but that out of an abundance of caution he was running away from a knife in the hands of one Mace Lee. But when Policeman Luckey captured Whitby, it was an unlucky moment for the aforesaid hard-working man. There was no pursuer within a square. Nevertheless Whitby was loudly yelling for protection and was unquestionably, so the policeman said, under the influence of whiskey. Lee said he had a knife open and wanted to frighten Whitby. Both were allowed to go with the payment of cost. Lee telephoned for his father but the answer was that the gentleman had started away from home on a protracted visit. Hence Lee's visit to the jail. There were other drunks and they were dealt with in the usual Monday morning way. The vagrants were told to go to work. A goodly crowd of spectators enjoyed the discomfiture of the prisoners.

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