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Christmas is Nearly Here,

And if you want anything for presents, look at our new PATENT INITIAL GOLD CUFF BUTTONS, Gold and Pearl Initial Scarf Pins, Ladies' and Gents' White and Colored and Bordered H. S. Kerchiefs.

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Parties wishing to make handsome presents will do well to investigate my stock of fine Dress Goods and Cloaks, which I am offering at a reduction.

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ENGLAND BEATEN ON STEEL.

No Necessity to Go Abroad for Ordnance and For Armor Plate.

The committee appointed by the last Congress to inquire into the steel producing capacity of the works of the United States will be prepared to report soon after the Christmas recess. The report will present an exhaustive review of this important branch of metallurgical industry and will also give an exhibit of the capacity of the works and the character of product with special reference to the manufacture of ordnance and armor plates. The result of the inquiry shows that the steel works of the United States produce a better quality of equal grade than is produced by the most celebrated works of England and Germany, and therefore there is no occasion to consider the feature of dependence on any outside country for the supply of this class of material for government use.

Another important feature of the report will be the formulation of a plan by means of which the government would be in condition to manufacture its own ordnance. The subject of a national foundry will also be considered. The rivalry of sections, it is feared however, would stand in the way of any very prompt action by congress on this point. All things considered, the members of the committee recognize the superior advantages of Philadelphia for location, but Boston is a formidable rival in quality of material. The House committee consists of Randall, Hewitt, Hiscock, Phelps and Reed.

The Senate committee on the same subject, of which Senator Hawley is chairman, expects to be ready to report about the same time.

AQUILA JONES IN HOT WATER.

The Indianapolis Postmaster Must Explain Why He Discharged a Letter-Carrier.

A Washington dispatch says: The Indianapolis postmaster, Aquila Jones, is in the city. It is understood that Mr. Jones has been sent for to explain to the Postmaster General the reasons for the dismissal of a letter carrier in Indianapolis recently. It seems a little hard on Mr. Jones just at this particular time, when he is before the Senate for confirmation. The circumstances under which this particular removal occurred are some what peculiar. About the time of the Hendricks funeral the letter carrier, Stearns, was riding on the platform with a car driver. As nothing was talked of but the dead statesman the conversation opened immediately. The letter carrier, with that cold cynicism for which letter carriers are no ted said:

"Well, poor Tommy is gone, his sore toe will not trouble him any more."

This was reported to Mr. Jones and the letter carrier was bounced. The latter denied ever saying what was attributed to him and his word was against the car driver, who is a Democrat. It appears that other charges were subsequently made against the discharged official. As Hendricks is dead and buried, the enemies of the Indianapolis postmaster now hope to defeat his confirmation, and this new cause of complaint is to be used for all it is worth.

The Care of Umbrellas.

Umbrellas will last far longer if when wet placed handle downward to dry. The moisture falls from the edges of the frame and the fabric dries uniformly. If stood handle upward which is commonly the case, the top of the umbrella holds the moisture, owing to the lining underneath the ring and therefore takes a long time to dry, thus injuring the silk or other fabric with which it is covered. This is the prime cause of the top of the umbrella wearing out sooner than the other part. Umbrella cases, too are responsible for the rapid wear of the silk. The constant friction causes the tiny holes that appear so provokingly early. When not in use leave the umbrella loose; when wet, never leave it open to dry, as the tense condition thus produced makes the silk stiff, and then it will soon crack.

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THE PROHIBITION PARTY.

The Platform Adopted at Greensboro.

WHEREAS, The traffic in alcoholic liquors has grown and is growing out of all ratio to the increase of population in this country; and whereas, said traffic unjustly burdens every legitimate industry, imposes grievous tax upon honest labor, curses social life, begets crime, breeds pauperism, antagonizes the church, corrupts politics, nullifies law, is a menace to good government, and a peril to the State; and whereas, the policy of licensing said traffic has proved a policy of perpetuation instead of suppression with the perpetuity of all its alarming conditions and alarming results; and whereas, we believe license not only non-restrictive in fact but immoral in principle, debasing in practice, criminal in effect, and unworthily the endorsement of true Christian patriotism, therefore

Resolved, That every principle of political economy, every consideration of patriotic purpose, every impulse of humanity, and every attribute of christianity, demands the total prohibition of this traffic by State and National law; and that such prohibition, to be effective, must be bedded in the organic foundation of nation and State, and be secured through and guaranteed by a political party.

Resolved, That as all secondary matters are treated by political parties from the standpoint of expediency, as with the two old parties of our former affiliation this question of the liquor traffic is and must remain secondary; and as we can no longer support either of these old parties in North Carolina and the nation, without endorsing saloon influences, encouraging the power of the saloon in politics and aiding to perpetuate that power, we do hereby declare the imperative necessity for a new party, with prohibition of the liquor traffic its prime object, that we urge and will labor to secure its prompt and thorough organization everywhere, and that for it we invite the votes of all who cast ballots, and the sympathy of all others.

Resolved, That with the liquor traffic costing over two thousand million dollars annually for liquors bought and drunk, for crime and pauperism growing out of their consumption, for judiciary and constabulary and penal and charitable institutions, made necessary by such crime and pauperism, for unproductive labor involved in it, and the enormous waste inevitable under it; with political corruption its legitimate child, public abuses its natural brood, profitable production discounted because of it, helpful consumption limited, the equitable distribution of wealth and the equitable adjustment of public burdens made impossible, and every material and moral interest enfolded by its organized selfishness; the issue of its prohibition already fixed in politics by the repeated action of the liquor dealers themselves, more closely involves the welfare of all the people, and is of far greater concern to the State and nation than any other or than all other issues now politically recognized, and that as such it deserves, and for it we may justly claim, the acceptance of every candid citizen.

Resolved, That we deem unwise and unpatriotic the cause of any man or party, or any locality or State, which denies the vital relationship of prohibition to our nation at large, and which proclaims it a local issue only, to be settled by each locality or State in its own way; that as the national government alone can prohibit importation and inter-state transportation, has full jurisdiction over each territory and the District of Columbia, and claims a share in the profits of every liquor seller in the Union, reiterate our demand for national sovereignty over the liquor traffic to suppress it, instead of to legalize, to protect and to perpetuate it.

Resolved, That we recognize in such demand the new national issue needed in our politics, to overcome sectional bitterness, to unite Northern and Southern patriotic sentiment, and to promote these conditions of political amity essential to national peace, progress and perpetuity.

Resolved, That with confidence in the justice of our cause, with faith in God and prayers for divine guidance, we will go forward from this day, embodying prohibition in our ballots, and arraying ourselves, at the ballot box as elsewhere, in favor of sobriety and economy in government, of exalted citizenship, and the noblest up-building of the State.

Curious Facts.

There are many curious facts in American history. Three Vice-Presidents, Gerry, Hendricks and Wilson died in November at dates which might all come in a single week. No President neither in or out of office has died in November, though six have died in July and four in June. Garfield died in September, Lincoln in April, Taylor in July and Harrison in April. One Vice President, J. C. Calhoun, resigned, and seven men have held both Presidential and Vice Presidential chairs. John Adams, Washington's Vice President, succeeded him in the White House, Jefferson, Adams' Vice President did likewise, and Martin, Van Buren, one of Jackson's Vice Presidents, was his successor. The other four became President by death. They were Tyler, Filmore, Johnson and Arthur.

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" " " " "	42 in.	.95	1.50
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All Wool Shoodah cloth	40 in.	.52 1/2	.85
All Wool Black Cashmere	36 in.	.44	.60
" " " " "	36 in.	.48	.65
" " " " "	40 in.	.52 1/2	.70
" " " " "	36 in.	.57 1/2	.75
" " " " "	40 in.	.73 1/2	.90
" " " " "	40 in.	.75	1.00
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