healthy children. But there can be no joy in motherhood without health, and without health for the mother there can be no

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Mrs. W. J. Kidder, of Hill Dale Farm (Enosburg Center), Knosburg, Vt., writes: "During the past year I found myself expecting maternity, and in rapidly failing health. I suffered dreadfully from bloating and urinary difficulty. I was growing perceptibly weaker each day and suffered much sharp pain at times. I felt that something must be done. I sought your advice and received a prompt reply. Took twelve bottles of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and also followed your instructions. I began to improve immediately, my health became excellent, and I could do all my own work (we live on a good sized farm). I walked and rode all I could, and enjoyed it. I had a short, easy confinement and have a healthy baby boy."

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THE HOUSE OF SILENCE.

BY S. E. KYSER.

There's a house that is quiet ac the way And things are in order there, Not a rug is littered or soiled to-day, Each tidy is on its chair: I tumble o'er toys and I hear the din That is made by the clatter of things

There are finger-marks on the walls Hurrahing disturbs the air-There's a house that is quiet across the And things are in order there.

There's a house that is splendid across And riches are gathered there,

But a portrait hangs on the wall to-Of a child that was glad and fair, And I fancy I hear the low, long sighs And thinking only as a mother may Of the one that waits somewhere— There's a house that is quiet across the

And things are in order there. -Chicago Record Herald.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

- Accuse not nature; she hath done her part; do thou but thine.-- Men cannot see the good when

the mists of passion are on the windows of the soul. - Seek to cultivate a buoyant, oyous sense of the crowded kindnesses

f God in your daily life. - Alexander - Generally speaking we let what is most original and best in us be wasted. We reserve ourselves for a future

which never comes .- Amiel. - Christianity was not born to die. It will stand at the grave of many centuries, but no century will ever stand at the grave Christianity .-

- People talk of "giving up" when they become Christians, as if they were to be losers, but the promise

is of added riches.—Drummon - Learn to command thy daily acts to God, so shall the dry every day duties of common life be steps to heaven and lift thy heart thither.—

Edward B. Pusey. - "Learn to entwine with your prayers the small cares, the trifling sorrows, the little wants of daily life. Whatever affects you, turn it. into prayer and send it up to God."

— My heart was glad that Christ-mas Eve—just as if the Babe had been coming again to us that same night. And is he not always coming to us afresh in every childlike feeling that awakes in the hearts of his people?-

Little self-denials, little honesties, little passing words of sympathy, little nameless acts of kindness, little silent victories over favorite tempta-tion—these are the silent threads of gold which, when woven together, gleam out so brightly in the pattern of life that God approves.—Canon

The "Good Intent" Dry dock at Al giers, opposite New Orleans, sunk yes-terday. It is not believed the dock can be again floated. It was built thirty-five years ago and cost originally \$28,000; but many thousands have since been spent in improvements

A fast passenger train on the Illi-nois Central, bound for Cincinnati from New Orleans, crashed into a work train at Caneyville, eighty-four miles from Louisville, Ky. Three train men were instantly killed and

IS YELLOW POISON in your blood? Physicians call it flainfail Germ. It can be seen changing red blood yellow under microscope. It works day and night. First, it turns your complexion yellow. Chiliy, aching sensations creep down your backbone. You feel weak and worthless.

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R.IR. BELLAMY.

COLLISION ON THE. GRAND TRUNK R. R

Loss of Life is Twenty-five: the Injured Number Considerably More.

MANY OF THESE MAY DIE.

Pacific Express and a Freight Came Together - A Dreadful Crash - Baggage Car Telescoped Smoker-The Dead Terribly Mutilated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. LONDON, ONT., Dec. 27.-The most rightful railroad accident in the annals of the past decade happened short distance from the little station of Wanstead, on the Sarnia branch of the Grand Trunk railway, last night.

The trains in collision were the Pacific Express and a freight. The express was running nearly two hours late and was making fast time. The freight was endeavoring to make a siding to get clear of the express, but failed by a minute or two. There was a dreadful crash, the locomotives reared up and fell over in a ditch, the baggage car of the express telescoped the smoker and in an instant shricks and cries of the wounded and the dying filled the air. The loss of life is twenty-five. The injured will number considerably more, and many of these may die. Many of the dead were terribly mutilated. Heads were cut off, legs were wrenched from bodies, and the level stretch of snow became crimson with the blood

The responsibility for the accident has not been definitely fixed, but it is believed to have been due to a telegraph operator's error. The operator at one of the stations where the two trains stopped gave an order to the freight to pass No. 5, the Pacific Express, at Wanstead. In the system of the Grand Trunk, this order should the Grand Trunk, this order should have been duplicated, a copy being given to the conductor and engineer of the express. Instead of this the conductor of the express received a clearance order, telling him to run right through. The freight train meantime had stopped at Wanstead to side-track, and was telescoped by the express. The blinding storm which was raging rendered objects invisible was raging rendered objects invisible at the distance of a few feet. The operator at Wanstead is not usually on duty at night, but last evening happened to be in the office for a short time. He was going out at the door when he heard the telegraph instrument click repeatedly the message Stop No. 5," "Stop No. 5." Seizing a lantern the operator dashed for the door, and as he closed it behind him Of one who is sitting with tear dimmed | he heard the crash of the collision up he track. There was not a house hand to which the injured could be carried. Fortunately, towever, the two Pullman cars on the train did not sustain any damage. These were warm and comfortable, and were converted into a temporary hospital. The injured were placed in the berths and every-thing possible was done to ease their

sufferings.

The Pacific Express which was late and endeavoring to make up time was made up of two Pullman cars, two day coaches and two baggage cars. The engineer opened wide his throttle as he pulled out of Watford at 9:58 o'clock. A blizzard was raging and the air was thick with swirling snow. The train was crowded with people re-

turning from holiday trips. Number 5 was running fully fifty miles an hour through the blizzard when at the Wanstead siding the head ight of the freight engine loomed up through the snow. It was impossible to see a hundred feet ahead because of the snow, and the trains crashed to gether almost before the engine crews realized that a collision was imminent. The impact threw the two engine clear of the track on the right hand side.

The two day coaches of the express were between the heavily loaded baggage cars and the weighty Pullmans. With a terrific grinding crash the rear baggage car was driven into the coach for three-fourths of its length and in a twinkling a score of occupants were dead and two score more were pinned down in the wreckage, crushed and mangled. The horror of fire was mercifully spared the suffering persons buried in the wreck. A little flame broke out, but the uninjured passengers extinguished it with snow before it could gain any headway. The occupants of the two Pullman cars and the second day coach swarmed out of their cars to the rescue. A perfect bedlam of noises greeted them. The hiss of escaping steam from the wrecked engines mingled with the piteous cries of the unfortunates pinned down in the ruins. The bitter cold wind and snow added to their suffering. Volunteer rescue parties were immediately formed and did heroic

Meanwhile a brakeman had rushed through the storm to the telegraph office and notified both London and Sarnia officials of the accident. Relief trains with surgeons and wrecking cars were on their way to the scene from both ends of the division in the shortest possible time, While they were steaming at the greatest speed, the work of rescue was carried on by the uninjured passengers. They delved into the beap of debris and guided by the means and cries found the sufferers, pried and chopped them out and carried them to the two Pullman cars, which were transformed into tem-

porary hospitals.

Tenderly the wounded forms were carried to the hospital cars and given what attention was possible before the surgeons arrived. There was scarce-ly any water to be had and the volunteer nurses melted quantities of snow with which they slaked the feverlah thirst of the suffering.

The surgeons on board the wrecking

train from Sarnia were the first to reach the scene. They hastened around the wreck through a snowcovered field to the temporary hospitals and began emergency dressings of the most serious wounds. The men of the wrecking crew took up the work of rescue. With their appliances they were able to penetrate deeper into the tangle of wood and steel and extract those whom the passengers had been unable to reach. While they were at work the wrecking train As soon as it was positively known that all the injured had been found an engine was coupled to the hospital Pullmans and the pitiful journey to London forty miles away was begun. Russell Quinn, of Chicago, whose hands were badly scalded, said in de-

scribing the collision: "I can hear the crash yet. Instantly everything was pitch dark. When the crash came I was just about to go to sleep. In less time than it takes to sleep. In less time than it takes to think a single thought, it seemed, I was occupying the best part of two seats. My legs were in one seat and my body in the other. I lay across the back of a seat and could not move. There were three men on top of me and they were like myself unable to stir. I yelled to them to get off me, but it was all in vain. Partly across them again lay the body of a poor old woman. I do not not know who she was, but I know she was dead. Blood flowed from her wounds in a great that there are times when he yearnful ly yearns to put one foot on the table and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the stable and the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the fowl.—London Answers of the strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on the bird while strug gling with the other on

most of the flow and one of the men was nearly choked to death by it. "My luck was to have the steam pipe beside me burst. Both my hands were held against the escaping steam. Struggle as I would I could not free them and I thought I was going to be cooked to death, or at least a part of me, for while my hands were held against the jagged end of the broken

pipe my body was perishing in the awful cold." Oplates were administered to the inoplates were administered to the injured to lessen their agonies, aggravated as they were by the unavoidable jarring and jerking of the car.

As soon as news of the wreck was received in London the Grand Trunk officials began arrangements for caring for the injured at Victoria Hospital on South street. The tracers of

pital, on South street. The traces of the Detroit and Lake Erie railroad are within a block and a half from the hospital and the hospital car was transferred to them and run as closely as possible to the hospital. Twenty extemporized ambulances were in waiting. Strong arms carried the wounded and torn people tender ly out of the car and they hurried to the hospital. It was 5:30 o'clock when they arrived and in an hour all had been put to bed temporarily, awaiting examination and surgical treatment. Until noon the surgeons worked over

Eddie Baus, of Prescott, Ont., and Lottie Lynch, of Port Huron, Mich., lied soon after they were received at the hospital. Several of the lesser injured persons left the hospital this fternoon. To-night all those still there are expected to recover, although internal injuries or failure to recover from the awful shock may result fataly in one or two cases.

When the second Pullman car ar rived in the city at 10 o'clock it was met with undertakers' wagons instead of ambulances. Twenty-five bodies were in the berths behind closed curtains. The dead forms were placed in coffins and then removed to the morgue, where the work of identification was begun. At 10 o'clock to-night only one unclaimed and unknown body still remained at the Ferguson

To-night at Watford, Dr. A. E Harvey, county coroner, impanelled a jury to investigate the wreck and decide if possible on its cause. After electing a foreman the jury adjourned until Monday, when the investigation will be begun. Up to a late hour to-night Andrew Carson, the operator at Watford, whose mis-take Train Master Price says caused the wreck, had not been placed under arrest. Conductor McAuliffe, of the Express, said to-day that the reight train crew had opened the Wanstead switch and the train had started to move into it when the col ision occurred. A minute or two more and the freight train would have been safely side-tracked. Trainmaster Price says that \$10,000 will cover the loss to rolling stock and equipment. The line was cleared soon after noon and to-night the shell of the baggage car lies on one side of the track, surrounded by the wreckage of other side, the two engines are piled in

New Bills For Old Ones. Not every one is aware of just what the United States subtreasury will do for a person with soiled currency. If any one has such bills, in no matter how small quantity, and wishes to get brand new bills, all he has to do is to go down to the subtreasury and hand the old currency over the counter. The government will hand him in return new bills of any desired denomination Perhaps under a strict interpretation of the law the government clerk might refuse certain bills on the plea that they were still fit for circulation, but in practice the government is inclined to be very obliging, and, unless the sup

ply of clean money on hand should happen to be temporarily short, the clerk will without hesitation hand over perfectly new and unfolded bills in return for money which has been folder possibly only a very few times. As a matter of fact a vast amoun of money is turned in which could not have circulated among more than half a dozen hands. But it is all redeemed and the new currency issued in exchange. The subtreasury supplies the

new cash, too, without any expense,

no matter if millions are to be ex-

changed.-New York Times. Didn't Fear His Dead Patients. There is a doctor of the old school one of the New England villages near Randolph, Mass., whose house is surrounded by a cemetery. The cemetery is behind the house and comes up flush with the road on either side, running off to east and west for an eighth of mile. Some people might find such a house lot doleful, and surely the neighbors are not lively. But that thought never troubled the villagers so much as the prospect of going home at night In the country towns of New England the graveyard at night is still a thing of terror, an inherited terror. There are still towns where all the graves are dug on a line running due east and west, with the footstones toward the east so that the dead may rise face to face with the Judge on the last day. So the doctor is often asked the question. "Are you not afraid to go home sometimes at night?"

And his answer is always the same: "No. My neighbors will never trouble me. They all owe me money."-New York Tribune.

The Obedient Child. There was once a little girl who found it very hard to wash her hands just before dinner. She meant to be clean for the table, but there was so many things to think of that it was impossible to remember. Her mother reproved her very severely one day, and she promised to do better. That day at dinner her mother asked the usual question, "Have you washed your hands, dear?"

"Yes," came the satisfied reply. Her mother looked smilingly down at the little one's hands, and then she uttered an exclamation, for there was no sign that soap or water had been used on them. "Why, your hands are black," she said. "Didn't you say you

"Well, I just did, mamma, but I was afraid I'd forget, so I washed them right after breakfast."-New York Gold Pens.

The first gold pens made in this country were all manufactured by hand, gold being cut from strips of the metal by scissors and every subsequent operation being performed by hand. These handmade gold pens cost from \$5 to \$20 and were far inferior to the machine made article of the present Carving.

A genteel carver always sits when he carves, says a work on etiquette. Perhaps he does, but it is pretty certain that there are times when he yearnfully yearns to put one foot on the table and the other on the bird while struggling with the fowl.-London Answers.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOW IN PROGRESS.

Between the European Allied Powers, Venezuela and the United States.

IN REGARD TO ARBITRATION

Position of the United States Government Just Now is That of Good Friend to All-Terms of Agreement in Pair Way to be Settled

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 .- There now in progress an active exchange of notes between the allied powers, Venezuela and the United States respecting the method of submitting to arbitration the issues which have arisen between Venezuela and the al-

lies. Questions are being put and answers are forthcoming, but it is said that the negotiations are in such shape that it would be extremely injudicious and indiscreet to make each phase public if there really existed a desire to reach a satisfactory settle-It is explained at the State Department that the part of the United States

government just now is that of "good friend" to all parties; that it is not un-dertaking to draw up protocols, or im pose limitation upon the parties, but is confining its offices to getting them together and keeping them so. In this view it will not be necessary for our government to prescribe how the Monroe Doctrine shall or shall not figure in the protocols; it will judge for itself by results how our interests are affected and will not indulge in premature or uncalled for protests. As for the terms of the arbitration agreement, it is stated that they are in a fair way to be speedily adjusted, but nothing can be said of the details. It is presumed that the allies will agree to terminate the blockade, though no stipulation has been entered into on that point. Nothing has been heard recently of the part to be taken by the United States Minister Bowen in final settlement, and it begins to appear that after all Venezuela, will probably be represented by one of her

Germany Disappointed. BERLIN, Dec. 27.-The German govrnment is disappointed by President Roosevelt's declination to be arbitrator in the Venezuelan dispute, but in pursuance of his decision will correspond at once with Great Britain and Italy on the subsidiary questions that must now be agreed upon, such as raising the blockade and the definite form of request whereby Venezuela on one side and Germany, Great the telescoped day coach. On the Britain and Italy on the other, will

The interchange of views on these and other requirements probably will take place at Washington, where the ambassadors can confer freely with Secretary Hay and obtain through him President Castro's assent to the precise propositions. The German foreign office considers Washington a convenient place for further negotiations. Foreign Secretary Von Rehthofen regrets the long delay which is likely to ensue before the final adjustment of the controversy. He had relied upon President Rooseveit's personality to take up the case and reach a decision quickly.

Great Britain and Italy.

ROME, Dec. 27.—Ambassador Meyer o-day presented to the Foreign Office resident Roosevelt's note on the subect of Venezuelan arbitration. The President says that although he is very much gratified at the confidence the Powers have shown in him by choosing him as arbiter, which position he would have accepted if there were no he thinks it better to submit the case to The Hague tribural, especially as all the Powers concerned are willing. The President adds that as there is no question of national honor or cession of territory involved, after thorough consideration and in accord with all the Powers concerned who have shown an honorable spirit of mutual consideration and moderation, he is glad to be informed that they all have agreed to submit the question to The Hague tribunal.

London, December 27.—The Foreign Office officials say a note from Secretary Hay, similar to those presented at Rome and Berlin, has been received here. Nothing has yet been decided regarding the cessation of the blockade or the terms of the arbitration.

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The Solemn Procession That Accompanies the Watering Cart. Poultney Bigelow in his description of the marvelous progress made by the city of Singapore under English rule gave a quaint picture of the manner in which the streets are watered:

SPRINKLING SINGAPORE.

THE INNE OF OHINA.

Their Cheapness Is About Their One

Redceming Festure.

clerks. On riding through the gateway

your bridle rein is seized by a dirty

boy, who helps you to dismount, shout-

ing loudly meanwhile for the proprie-tor, who presently looms up through

the wilderness of carts and mules. Pro-

prietor and boy then hold a parley as

to what rooms are eligible, and then a

door is pushed open and the traveler is

shown to his apartment. It is usually

about twelve feet square. The walls

and floor are of hard mud, and so are

the beds, which extend entirely across

the side of the room, with only space

enough between them for a small table

and one chair. The room is lighted by

one window, in which paper takes the

The first duty of the proprietor in

making a patron comfortable is to stop

up the holes in the paper window pane.

He never tears the paper off entirely

and replaces it with a new one, be-

cause the sheet of paper is worth

about one-tenth of a cent, and the inn-

keeper is not wasteful. Indeed he

pastes little slips of paper over the

holes until all the light that filters

At one end of the mule shed is the

kitchen of the inn. It is here that the

meals for all the patrons are prepared,

to be eaten in the rooms. The menu is

not elaborate. It consists only of bowls

of rice and tea. Should the traveler de-

sire a greater variety of food, he can

buy it himself in the market, and his

own servant can cook it in the kitchen

of the inn. To sleep on the bed of a

Chinese inn would be for a foreigner

an impossibility were it not that he is

always so exhausted at the end of

each day's journey that he finds it dif-

ficult to remain awake ten minutes

after alighting from his pony. He lies

down on the mat that covers the hard

heap of mud and surprises himself at

The one redeeming thing about the

inn is its cheapness. Just as the trav-

eler is about to depart in the morning

the proprietor tells him the amount of

his bill. Everything is charged on the

"European plan." Every cup of tea,

every rushlight candle, the paper win-

dow pane, are all itemized in the long

list which the proprietor reels off in

singsong, but the total is surprisingly

low. The cost of food and lodging for

one night for a traveler and two serv

ants, with stabling and fodder for his

ponies and cart mules, is about 50

Boasted Too Soon.

The rear end of a Fordham car was

congested the other afternoon. There

wasn't even "standing room only." A

jocular commuter sald, "Beware of

A gentlemanly looking fellow said:

ets if he does as I did. I have a se

patented scheme. I have a buttont

in my vest pocket. I run my char

the usual way. They can't draw that

watch through that buttonhole. No

pickpockets in mine, and don't you for-

At Wendover avenue the "patentee"

Somebody had clipped the chain

drawn it through the other way and

abstracted the watch.-New York

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pickpockets!"

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said startingly:

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the soundness of his slumber.

through it is of a mottled hue:

place of glass.

Chinese inns are without register or

The watering cart was drawn by little white bullocks and driven by Malays with turbans. It seemed to take five Malays to do this driving. One roosted aloft on top of the barrel for the purpose of controlling the outgo of water. . He seemed very proud of his appointment. Another native in a big turban roosted on the pole and controlled the little cattle. Then there was a man in thin brown

legs and much turban who walked solemply behind enjoying a footbath. He was obviously a government functionary, although his exact sphere of usefulness I could not discover. He appeared to be something in the nature of a rear guard. Then there was a "foreloper," or ad-

vance guard, for the purpose of clearing the way. There appeared to be an idea that the little bullocks might suddenly go mad and rush ahead. At any rate, it gave congenial employment to one more native, and that was some-There was yet another, who bent down now and then to pick up a piece

of stone or brush away some irregular-

ity unseen by ordinary eyes. This outfit was a treat to me. It was solemn; it was full of self consciousness; it was magnificently oriental. I have seen men in sublime moments; have seen the red capped station master of Germany strut up and down his platform when an imperial train was about to arrive, but even that impressed me less than the watering cart of Singapore, with its municipal hierarchy of Malay ministers, each earning perhaps 2 cents a day.

His Own Medicine Chest. The surgeon of an English ship of war was noted for the monotony of his prescriptions. He apparently considered salt water taken externally or internally as a cure for all the ills that flesh is heir to, for he ordered his patients to take it, no matter what might be the malady presented to his notice. One day he went sailing with a party of friends, and in the course of a squall the boat was upset, and the surgeon came near being drowned. "Well," said the captain of the ship when he was told of the narrow escape, "I'm glad you were saved, but it hardly seems possible in any event that you could have really drowned in your own medicine chest, now does it,

The Dowager Empress of China and Lieutenant General Miles exchanged flattering speeches at yesterday's autience, the dowager assuring the general that the "success of the American army was assured under a commander so celebrated."

A snow slide struck the bunk house of the Mollie Gibson mine, ten miles from Lake Kootnay, British Columbia, Christmas night, rezing the build ing. It is believed to have killed nine men and injured several others



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The year of 1902 is drawing to a close We trust it has been as pleasant and profitable to vou as it has been to-us.

Our Christmas trade was phenom | sizes from 5 cents to 25 cents; we enal; it broke all records of the past. | have an immense stock of ladies and Our whole year's business was unusually good. We are now facing the year 1903 and have already been making preparations for the year's cents, 15 cents and 25 cents a pair. business. The rush is over, but our Men's ½ wool socks at 10 cents a stock is not broken. We anticipated a big trade and bought accordingly. We have just received a nice line

of new Black Beaver Hats, very stylish, at \$2.75 each. Also a nice line of Scratch Felt Hats, in black and To any one wishing to store that we are selling for 50c, 69c, 89c Peanuts, will say, we are amply of actual value.

reasonable cost, and we will In new Ribbons we have just remake liberal cash advances on peanuts stored with us. in Nos. 5 and 7, at 5c per yard; Nos. 9 and 12, at 8c per yard; Nos. 16 and 22, at 10c per yard; No. 40, at 15c D. L. CORE CO., Wholesale Grocers, per yard; No. 60, at 20c per yard; 118 to 125 North Water street,

and No. 80, at 25c per yard. . Satin Wilmington, N. C. and Taffetta Ribbons are from 5c to 35c per yard. In Ladies' Hats we have a big lot

all this year's goods. We have all the latest and Our Cloak Department has had | an immense success this season. We have bought several large shipments

of Cloaks at almost half-price, and \$1.75 each; 500 each; less than cost. we have on hand a very nice and ex tensive line. Nicely lined and well made Beaver Coats at \$3.50. The latest Monte Carlo Coats at \$5, and Fancy Box Paper, Xmas the best \$10 Monte Carlos are going at \$7.50 each. In ladies and children underwear

we have just received quite a nice shipment. Ladies' red and white flannel vests and pants of all kinds and in all sizes for 75 cents, 85 cents and \$1 each. Ladies' bleached ribbed vests at 25 cents each. Just received a large shipment of samples in needlewear which represents one and two of a kind of anything In our Clothing Department we you can call for, which we are selling at about first cost; we make our profits in the discounts. Vests and pants in this lot run from 10 cents to \$2.25 each.

We have also received 120 dozen of sample hosiery, all colors and prices from 5 cents to 25 cents a \$20 cash purchase, when you buy

gentlemen's hosiery; our line of Shamrock hosiery for ladies are the best value to be had, sell for 121 Men's 1 wool socks at 10 cents a pair; all wool at 15 cents. The fi est 25 cents cashmere hose are selling

at 20 cents. Embroidery, we have about 8,000 yards bought at a low down price. Good embroidery with a lot of work all colors, at 69c each. We have an | for 4c. Very good value at 5c., and extensine line of Ready to-wear Hats | 15c value we are selling at 10c. Our corset stock has just been replen and \$1.19, which is about 50 per cent. | ished. Just received 30 doz. R. & G. corsets to sell for 50, 75, and \$1. The long hip corset for \$125. Our ceived a large shipment, in all colors. B. C. N. corset cannot be matched Beautiful Glazed Taffetta Ribbons, in any retail store in the city, we buy them in solid case lots and can

sell you a 75c. corset for 50c. Our Kalamazoo Corsets in blue and white and pink and white and all white, are well shaped and good values, running at 25c. Regular 50c Corsets for 39c. Infants' Cloaks. Just bought a

to sell at 25c each, regardless of cost | sample line to sell for 50c, 75c, 89c or quality; all shapes and colors, and up to \$2.25. All well made and new styles. Ladies' heavy Capes, nicely trimmed, in fur and made of Beaver cost, all new goods, \$1.50 and

> A nice line of new Belts at 250 and 39c each. In our Men's and Boys' Clothing Department, judging by our sales, you would think no one else in the city carried Clothing. Good suits from \$3 up. In boys' heavy weight Clothing, we have just bought out a factory. Suits that sold for \$3-we can s-ll now for \$2.25; we have them from \$1.50 up. In boys' Pants we have agency for New York Mill & Co. All made with tape seams and made of best woollen goods; all

> have 500 nice Clothes Brushes to give away, one with each suit sold. If you are thinking of having your photo enlarged, we represent the Argo Mfg. Co., of Chicago, who make oil paintings for us. We give an Argo oil painting free with every the frame from us.

We have children's hose in all With best wishes for a happy New Year.

P. S .- For Sunday School Christmas Trees we have lots of nice Toys left on hand. Plenty of Toys and China Bric-a-brac.

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