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PRICE TWO CENTS.

Brass and Copper Kettles.

Brass, Copper and Nickel Hot Water Kettles, plain and with stands and lamps. Enterprise Meat Chopper, German Cake Cutters, English Coal Vases, Children's Trays, and many other articles suitable to the season.

We will allow a cash discount of 10 per cent. off Heating Stoves for one month.

SHERATON & SELFRIDGE 88 King Street. Telephone No. 255.

Christmas Holiday Sale.

Welsh, Hunter & Hamilton. Every customer buying one dollar's worth of goods will receive a beautiful Panel or Landscape Christmas Card.

Every Lady buying a pair of Corsets, receives a pretty little Pocket Mirror. We have still a few pieces of VERY FINE CASHMERE in Myrtle, Cardinal and Terra Cotta, usual price 55 cents, sale price reduced to 37 1/2 cents.

OUR GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING DEPARTMENT is replete with an elegant assortment of SHIRTS, COLLARS, CUFFS, SCARFS, TIES, GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS, &c., &c.

97 KING STREET.

GRAND CHRISTMAS SALE

BERLIN GOODS, consisting of Shawls, Fascinators, Hoods, Cloaks and Trimmings, all the above goods at one price 50 cts; Children's Wool Boas, from 20 to 35 cts.

ALSO A NICE LOT of Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Kid Gloves, and Children's Plush Hoods, suitable for Christmas Presents.

KEDEY & CO., 218 Union St. WE FRAMING PICTURES in the latest and best patterns at less than one-third of the price of old patterns. Get our prices for the Best Remarque Proof Pictures. They are the lowest in the city. Art Revels and Artists' Materials a specialty. See our fifty cent Easel and beautiful Three-Fold Screens \$2.75.

GORBELL'S, 207 Union Street.

BARNES & MURRAY.

- Silk Mufflers.....\$1.45, 1.50, 1.75, 2.25. Cashmere.....40c, 50c. Wool.....35c, 36c. Astrachan Black Gloves.....\$1.10. Gents 2 Button Lined Kid Gloves.....\$1.25. Buck Gloves.....\$2.00 (lined). Antelope.....\$2.00 (lined). Lined Kid Gloves Black and Colored.....90c per pair. Woolen Gloves.....25c, 28c, 35c, 45c, 55c. Gentlemen China Silk Handkerchiefs Hem Stitched.....75, 85, \$1.00. White Brocaded Silk.....75c, 85c to \$1.40. Colored.....50c, 60c to \$1.40.

FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN

We have just received a fresh stock of Ladies White Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Lawn and Linen, ranging in price from 15c. to 75c. Special prices for half dozen. The above having arrived late we offer at greatly below their original value. Children's Handkerchiefs.....25c. per dozen and upwards. Ladies' Kid Gloves: Our 57c. 4 Button Gloves, 65c. do. do., 85c. do. do., \$1.00 do. do., 1.25 do. do., 1.50 do. do.

BARNES & MURRAY, 17 CHARLOTTE STREET.

FIRST EDITION. SNAP-SHOTTED!

NEW SCHEME FOR BLACKMAILING MEN OF MEANS. Thousands of Dollars Required to Buy the Negative-The Trick Known in Paris and Now Being Practised in New York.

New York, Dec. 22.—A very desperate and ingenious gang of conspirators is carrying on operations in this city. It consists of three handsome women and two fine-looking men, whose personal appearance is, in a great measure, a shield against suspicion. A flat in an exclusive hotel on Sixth avenue real estate office and an instantaneous camera have a place in their scheme. The leading spirit of these unprincipled criminals is an English woman who has cut quite a dash among the fashionable club men of New York. Her favorite friend is a handsome fellow who has served the state as Sing Sing on two or three occasions for the same crime.

About two years ago the woman went to Paris. It was in that city she discovered the trick. The woman and the New York jail bird had a great time in Paris. They blew their noses into the sea and made many shady acquaintances, from whom they learned a few little games to play on New Yorkers for cash.

About eight months ago they returned to the city to begin their work. They were in possession of a camera and a negative. They brought with them two very pretty young women about 20 years of age. These two women were imported expressly to take part in one of the clever schemes which had been so successfully worked in Paris.

One is a French girl, tall and dark, possessing beautiful black eyes, a splendid complexion and a fine figure. The other is an English blonde of very attractive appearance. The whole party were soon established in a fancy furnished flat, and a man who pretends to be a real estate agent was taken into the scheme. The crook went to a photographic stock dealer and bought a quick-setting, snap-shot camera and all the accessories going with it, and for some days practiced making pictures through a crack in the folding door and a small hole in a portiere hung over it to conceal the trick.

When he had acquired sufficient proficiency to take a picture of two persons so situated that a full view of them could be had from the hole in the curtain, he properly developed it, the gang was ready for its desperate business.

Here is where the role to be played by the fascinating young woman came in. They were both sent out on the streets separately in the afternoon. If a man who passed muster looked at the victim, the woman who had been made aware that it was agreeable, then she was pumped as to his identity, etc., and the second step in the scheme was taken. The crook, who had his friend in the real estate business investigated the proposed victim.

If all these were as desired, the woman was instructed to take the next step. She was to come to the man in a certain and suspicious. As the victim had been informed that his new acquaintance was wealthy, correct young widow, who could not disclose her real identity, if not too profitless he felt sure of victory.

He seemed to gain more confidence over each time they met, and finally she agreed to yield. His proposal a hotel, but she would not hear of that. Of course, the victim was selected and an appointment made to meet there.

At the appointed time the victim appeared. Both drank both smoked. The man was surprised to note that the woman's dress was so elegant and that she smoked her cigarette so calmly.

She smoked them constantly but cigarette, at least, keep them lighted. While in the midst of their revelry he was startled by a flash of light near his face, followed by a loud click, and a faintly smelling smoke. He sprang to his feet in alarm, but was greeted by a reassuring laugh from the lady, who held that she had a hand in the attack, has since died, but the Court ordered posthumous gratification to be given him, which was accompanied by a body was accordingly exhumed and his head chopped off.

Continued to be written. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE GAZETTE. LONDON, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Santiago de Chile says—General Campo with a force of 250 men has attacked the town of San Victoria, in the province of Rio Grande in that State. The telegraph wires have been cut, and the result of the engagement is unknown.

Behind the Footlights. John A. Stevens, who has retired from the stage for the purpose of writing for it, contemplates a journey to Australia.

In a serious notice of the Italian opera in New York one writer says that Jean De Reszke produces his high notes as tenderly as Russell Sage produces a \$5 bill.

Mrs. Langtry, who cancelled her American engagements on an allegation of ill health, is driving about London as well as ever. Her cancellation of dates was wise, however.

Manager Sinn has left word for his employees to call at the Park theater on Thursday morning and get their turkeys. He has made a practice of giving away Christmas turkeys for thirty years.

Mrs. Scott Siddons read before Queen Victoria when she was young and could not act better than she does now, and in the Mirror she says that "when showing the room where my readings were to be given I was surprised and delighted to find that my little table was placed facing an archway and not opposite to the seats for the royal party and suite. On inquiring the reason of the curious arrangement I was told that the queen wished the servants of the household to enjoy the entertainment as well as the audience, on looking into the corridor beyond the opening I observed a number of ordinary benches, which after her majesty had taken her place were occupied by household, footmen and other domestics serving in the castle."

SEASONABLE. CITRON, Raisins, Currants, Watches, Diamonds.

JOSEPH FINLEY, Wholesale Only. A. B. SMALLEY, 51 Prince William Street.

THE QUESTION OF THE DAY. What to Buy for a Xmas Present. Now what better could you buy than a Ladies' Kid Glove with patent tip or plain toe, or a Fine Kid Slipper with plush or leather top, 30 different styles to select from and at all prices.

JOHN H. McROBBIE, 94 KING STREET. W. H. COCHRAN, 40 KING STREET.

THE MOST TAKING BOOT IN THE MARKET FOR FALL: Gents French Gait, Cork Soled Congress and Balmorals.

AMERICAN CLOTHING HOUSE. Largest and best assorted stock ever before offered in this market. Customers and the public generally are invited to attend, as there will be genuine bargains.

AMERICAN CLOTHING HOUSE, 51 PRINCE WILLIAM STREET.

SECOND EDITION. STARVING PEASANTS.

TOLEDO RETURNS FROM THE FAMINE STRICKEN DISTRICTS IN RUSSIA. He is in Favor of Promoting Village Industries and Opposed to the Government Plan of Building Railways.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Count Tolstoi, who has just returned from the famine stricken districts, announced today that his co-worker, M. Koyetky recently died of influenza. Count Tolstoi declared that if the government would promote village industries, sufficient work could be found to avert actual starvation. The ordinary authorities should establish public feeding places. Ignorance as to the situation and amount of stocks of grain, he said, prevents a proper organization of relief measures. If the government ascertained the true state of affairs, supplies could be brought from America and other countries.

The count opposed the government plan of building railways. He says, he said, would deprive the peasants of their only occupation in winter, when, field work being impossible, by acting as carriers they earn sufficient to procure food for their horses and keep themselves in condition until field work recommences.

CHANGES IN THE CHAIR. What the Barbers Occasionally Have to Contend With. There are two chairs and three are chairs. But the barber probably needs a larger and more varied assortment of them than any other man. First, there is the crank who stubbornly insists that only one barber lives who can trim his hair properly and would rather sit three quarters of an hour waiting for his ideal artist's leisure than to allow another barber to touch his hair.

There is the man who has a head that is a perfect sphere and who insists that the barber should give him a haircut that is a perfect sphere. There is the man who insists that the barber should give him a haircut that is a perfect sphere.

THE MURDER CASE. The preliminary examination of the case of the murder of Robert Lemmon by the coroner's jury was held at the coroner's court on Tuesday.

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LAST TWO DAYS OF THE MIKADO

AT Manchester, Robertson & Allison's. FANCY GOODS AT REDUCED PRICES.

THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF ELEGANT FANS EVER SHOWN IN ST. JOHN.

ANY LADY Looking for a Handsome Present Should not fail to see our FITTED TRAVELLING BAGS FOR GENTLEMEN.

MANCHESTER, ROBERTSON & ALLISON. CHRISTMAS, 1891.

Huntley & Palmer's Biscuits, Beautiful German Fancy Candles, Tapers for the Xmas Tree, Florida Oranges, Rowntree's Fruit Pastilles and Juubes.

JARDINE & CO. Here is something for home comfort that is always welcomed by every housekeeper, there is no possibility of making a mistake, do not fear there are already too many in the house, that is a very improbable thing.

A PAIR OF SOFT WHITE WOOL BLANKETS. Our Prices \$2.00 to \$8.75. AN EIDER DOWN COMFORTABLE, fine quality. A TURKEY QUINZ do. 75c to \$2.50. A FIGURED SATENE do. \$3.00 \$4.50.

DANIEL & ROBERTSON, London House Retail, Cor. Charlotte and Union Sts.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. LADIES' GENTS' MISSES' AND CHILDREN. Read the following list carefully and we know you will be able to satisfy your wants.

Ladies' Felt House Boots, Ladies' Felt Dress Boots, Ladies' Kid Slippers, Quilted Ladies' American Rubber Boots, Wool Lined, Ladies' Waterproof Over Boots, Ladies' Felt Gaiters, Ladies' Sliding Boots, Ladies' Russian Boots, Ladies' American Rubbers, Wool Lined, Ladies' Oxford Ties, Gents' Felt Slippers, 9 different styles, Gents' Kid Slippers, Gents' Waterproof Overboots, Gents' Felt Gaiters, Gents' Snow Excluders, Gents' Lace Boots, Gents' Canvas Boots, Gents' Rubber, Wool Lined, Misses' Waterproof Overboots, Misses' Sliding Boots, Children's Rubber Boots, Children's Over Boots, Boys' Rubber Boots, Boys' Over Boots, Dolls' Boots and Slippers.

Cunard Line. Royal Mail Steamers. SAILING DIRECTLY BETWEEN—Boston, Queenstown and Liverpool. EVERY SATURDAY. Passengers Land and Embark at Cunard Wharf, foot of Clyde Street, East Boston.

Cable Passage \$65, \$80, \$100—according to accommodations desired. Second Cabin \$35, Round Trip \$65—includes all expenses for the voyage. Second Passage at lowest rates. For further information apply to the Office, 90 State St., Boston.

ALEX. MARTIN, Agent, 90 State St., Boston.

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