

Wonderful bargains: Immense varieties
Our January white sales

Break all value-giving records: Come to-morrow
Immense throngs are profiting. Are you?

The Right House
"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

All Winter goods are marked down in our great
Reduction clearance sales

Every department on every floor is involved
It is our greatest January clearance sale

Our great annual January reduction sale of carpets, rugs, curtains and draperies commences to-morrow: All carpets made, laid and lined free

OUR greatest Annual January Reduction Sale of home furnishings will commence to-morrow morning with the most, biggest and best bargains January ever saw. Involved are great varieties of good carpets, hearth and room rugs, linoleums, lace curtains, draperies, upholsteries and bedding. ALL CARPETS WILL BE MADE, LAID AND LINED FREE, during January—a straight saving to you of 12c to 14c a yard. This applies to all lines, whether reduced or new Spring lots. Thousands of yards of Carpets are reduced—Nice clean, bright, new Right House sorts. They are the world's very best weaves, imported direct from the

great makers in many qualities, exquisite patterns and rich to dainty colorings. Better bring room measurements along so as to avoid any possible disappointment. Room size and hearth rugs, art squares, lace curtains, draperies and furniture coverings are also greatly reduced in immense quantities and varieties, making this sale the most important in magnitude and value-giving of recent years. Get here as soon as you can and supply every possible need for months ahead. Everything will be spread out and displayed for easy selection. Never has a January Reduction Sale offered such bargain opportunities as these told of below.

\$30 room size Axminster rugs \$17.75

A special purchase—On sale here at less than cost to manufacture

PRACTICALLY half price for rich elegant brand new Axminster room size rugs that are fresh from the factory and on sale for the first time to-morrow. They are the overproductions of a leading Canadian manufacturer secured by us at a ridiculously low price for this sale. Come early; the quantity is limited.

Made-to-wear-well quality in very rich dark shades and beautiful Persian designs suitable for library, dining-room or den. A heavy, rich pile that will not crush down. Size 9 feet by 12 feet. A regular special \$30.00 value. January Sale price \$17.75 each.

Rich good English Wilton & Axminster room size rugs

Extra special values every one—a beautiful showing including all our importations of new Wilton and Axminster room-size Rugs from England's best makers. Rich Persian and Medallion patterns with exquisite border effects. Colorings are very rich and in a wide variety of approved shades and combinations. These good Rugs are extremely desirable and give really wonderful wear. Four special price groups for the January Sale.

Size 9 feet by 10 feet 6 inches; \$27 and \$30
Size 9 feet by 12 feet; \$31.50 and \$34.50

All wool room size rugs reduced

Kensington and Gobelin Art Squares in very effective colorings and patterns. Woven-to-wear-well qualities that will give every satisfaction. Conventional designs in greens and wood tones, Oriental and conventional designs in Rose du Barri, crimson, green and wood tones. Sizes 2 1/2 by 3 yards up to 3 1/2 by 4 1/2 yards. January Sale prices—

\$8.19, formerly \$10.00 \$11.19, formerly \$15.50
Others at \$7.50, \$9, \$13, to \$24

Rich Oriental rugs reduced

We have withdrawn eight very beautiful antique and modern Oriental Rugs from our regular stocks and reduced them greatly for this sale. Sizes 3 ft. by 3 ft. 11 in. up to 4 ft. 6 inches by 7 ft. 3 inches.

\$4.00, formerly \$7.50
\$15, formerly \$23.00

\$6.00, formerly \$10.50
\$7.00, formerly \$12.00
\$20.00, reduced from \$42.00

Very rich and elegant patterns, and colorings that will "live" forever. Anatolians, Koula Prayer Rugs Shiraz Rugs, etc., etc.

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All carpets made, laid and lined free

A straight saving to you of 12c to 14c on every yard you buy

HERE are the most wonderful of January sale bargains in good carpets that we ever put before the public. Thousands of yards of clean, bright, fresh, new Right House carpets are reduced, and every yard you buy will be made, laid and lined free of charge—a still further saving of 12c to 14c a yard. Hundreds of people will buy for Spring as well as now.

Right House Carpets are famous for quality, richness of coloring, beauty and exclusiveness of pattern and variety for selection. The sale lots that will be offered to-morrow would be a whole stock for most stores. And all are made by world-famous manufacturers, who confine their goods to this store for Hamilton.

Elegant Wilton & Axminster carpets

The chance of the year to buy and save much money

These good Carpets are really wonderful values at regular prices and it is a shame to tag them with such big reductions, but stocks must be adjusted prior to stock taking so every broken range has been hauled out and the price has been knifed to the core.

Our regular \$1.65 Wiltons and Axminsters now \$1.29
Our \$1.75 and \$1.90 Wiltons and Axminsters now \$1.47
Our \$2.25 and \$2.35 Wiltons and Axminsters now \$1.59

Enough in each pattern for one to four rooms. Floral, conventional and Persian designs in greens, fawns, blues, crimsons and wood tones. Suitable for drawing rooms, libraries, dining rooms, etc. Borders and stairs to match. Included are such famous makes as Crossley's and Templeton's. ALL MADE, LAID AND LINED FREE.

Other interesting January Sale price groups in Wilton and Axminster Carpets at \$1.45, \$1.65, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

English Brussels carpets reduced

Three extraordinary January bargain chances

Hardwearing English Brussels Carpets from the world's best makers are here and in this sale at greatly reduced prices. Enough of each pattern for one to four rooms and borders and stairs to match. A splendid assortment for selection.

Our regular 95c Brussels carpets at 69c
Our regular \$1.25 Brussels carpets at 95c
Our regular \$1.50 Brussels carpets \$1.09

Rich fawn, crimson, blue, reseda, rose and green grounds with floral, Turkish, conventional and Persian designs. ALL MADE, LAID AND LINED FREE. Crossley's and Templeton's world-famous makes are included.

Other interesting January Sale price groups in Brussels Carpets at 97c, \$1.05, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.50.



Hearth rugs

Special purchase

OVER 150 reversible Smyrna Hearth Rugs have arrived from a great manufacturer and go on sale for the first time to-morrow morning. We secured them under regular value, hence the underprices. Beautiful, rich Oriental and floral effects in effective crimsons and greens; sizes 18 x 36; 26 x 48; 30 x 60; 36 x 72. 95c, real value \$1.10 \$2.10, real value \$2.50 \$2.75, real value \$3.50 \$3.95, real value \$4.75

Other hearth rugs

An endless assortment of Wiltons, Axminsters and Mohair Plush in rich crimsons, blues, rose, greens, etc. Oriental, floral and other designs. All sizes \$3.75 to \$8.00. Values are extra good.

Inlaid Linoleums
Great reduction sale

MADE by the world's best makers—Staine and Nairn. Three great January sale price groups that will excite the interest of everyone with a need. Enough of each pattern for one to three rooms. A broad assortment of good, desirable patterns in block, floral, tile and other good designs. Every wanted coloring, all laid free.

62 1/2c for our special 85c qualities
78c for our special \$1.10 qualities
98c for our special \$1.35 quality

These good Inlaid Linoleums will give almost everlasting wear. 2 yards wide.

Printed Linoleums reduced

32 1/2c for our special 45c quality
Splendid wearing qualities in block, tile and floral patterns and very desirable colorings. They will give excellent satisfaction and long wear. Better select yours to-morrow. Per square yard 32 1/2c for our special 45c quality. ALL LAID FREE.

Good room size stock rugs
Brussels, tapestry and Axminsters

Patterns and sizes for any room

THESE splendid room-size Rugs are remarkable bargains. We had them made up in our own workrooms from ends of our own good imported Brussels, Tapestry and Axminster Carpets.

Some of the very best patterns have been used. Colorings are rich and desirable. There are Oriental, Persian, Turkish, floral and conventional designs with pretty and effective borders.

All sizes; suitable for any room; a wide assortment of good qualities that will wear like iron to select from. Here are a few examples of the underpricing.

\$25.00 Brussels room size stock rugs for \$16.75
\$33.00 Brussels room size stock rugs for \$18.25
\$33.30 Axminster room size stock rugs \$18.50
\$44.20 Axminster room size stock rugs \$29.00
\$17.25 Tapestry room size stock rugs for \$11.75
\$21.25 Tapestry room size stock rugs for \$12.75
\$12.25 Tapestry room size stock rugs for \$8.25

New tapestry carpets
Special purchase sale

Over 1,700 yards in three price groups

HARDWEARING, slightly Tapestry Carpets—over 1,700 yards secured from a leading maker specially for this sale. Newest Oriental and floral patterns on effective grounds of crimson, green, fawn or brown. Suitable for any room. Qualities are the kind that give lasting satisfaction. ALL MADE, LAID AND LINED FREE.

51c for regular 60c Tapestry Carpets
63c for regular 75c and 80c Carpets
75c for regular 90c Tapestry Carpets

All wool & Union carpets

Splendid-wearing Carpets that are a full yard wide. Hold-fast colorings in greens, crimsons, wood tones and fawn effects. Small conventional and floral patterns that are particularly desirable for bedrooms and other small rooms. Eight special January sale groups. ALL MADE, LAID AND LINED FREE.
All wools—80c, 85c, 90c, \$1.10.
Unions—33c, 45c, 48c, 65c

\$6.50 down
comforters \$5

ENGLISH made, pure down filled Comforters that are light, fleecy and luxuriantly warm. Extra large size. Pretty floral and conventional patterns on effective green, blue and pink grounds. Nice, good-wearing art cloth covers. Our special \$6.50 value. January Sale price \$5.00 each.

Couch covers

Very effective Oriental designs in blues, old reds, greens and red with rich brown mixtures. Nice sizes, splendid qualities and serviceable, practical color combinations. Our regular special \$5.80, \$6.50 and \$6.75 lines—January Sale price \$4.88.

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Music and the Drama

One of the most entertaining musical productions of the season will be offered at the Grand to-night, when Mr. B. C. Whitney's "A Knight for a Day" will be offered here for the first time. The performance is one that will make an audience laugh and is filled with catchy musical numbers. In fact, "A Knight for a Day" is a piece that will send theatregoers home well satisfied. The production is the same as was seen at Wallace's Theatre, New York, all last season, and attracted large audiences all last week at the Princess Theatre, Toronto. The story of "A Knight for a Day" matters little. It has to do with the identification of the possessors of two lockets, known to be a youth and a maid, to whom a fortune is assured when found and mated. The quest for these lockets, the complications of sentimental nature which their discovery involves, the subsequent exodus from a girls' seminary for young ladies to an estate upon the island of Corsica in further pursuit of elusive fortune, and the final straightening out of the tangle and the agreeable pairing off of two pairs of lovers, serve for the tale. Jonathan Day, a nimble-witted London cockney, appropriates documents which lead to all the complications. The chorus is exceptionally attractive and efficient,

the girls being of good looks and voices, a rare combination in chorists.
AT THE VAUDEVILLE HOUSE.
Hamilton theatregoers have seen some first class girl acts since high class vaudeville made its first appearance here, but it is doubtful if they ever had submitted for their approval a more pleasing offering of this type than the De Haven sextette, which is scoring a substantial hit at Bennett's this week, presenting the dainty little operetta, "The Understudy." In dressing and staging the act is a model and the work is characterized by a snap that is often noticeably lacking in attractions of that class. Sydney C. Gibson is a hard worker himself, and he is surrounded with five pretty girls in elaborate costumes who keep things moving at a merry clip. A pleasing repertoire of selections gives the company individually and ensemble an opportunity to display their voices, and the sextette clinch their success with fast and pretty dancing. The Onlaw trio in their Parisian wire novelty, an attractively staged offering, give a remarkable exhibition of work on the slack wire. It is entirely different from anything of its kind seen here before, and last night won solid applause from the Parisian wire novelty. The men hold the wire in their teeth, standing on pedestals, the woman balancing on the wire and whirling around at express speed.

Harry Le Clair is a "riot" in his humorous play, "Du Barry." It is given with an attention to detail that is most commendable, and is bound to please even the most critical. The stage settings are very elaborate and are of the period of the gay Louis XV. The furnishings, draperies and properties used are superb, and no prettier sight has ever been witnessed on the stage of the Savoy than the second and third acts of this thrilling drama as the saucy "Du Barry." The ladies of the court, with white wigs and beautiful brocades, and the gentlemen in powdered wigs and square cuts, made a picture that will long be remembered. Miss Elfrida Lasche, of course, appears in the title role, Du Barry, and she has power and has all the physical qualifications to adorn the part. Joseph Selman played Louis XV., the gay King of France, whose love of sport brought him to an untimely death. Thaddeus Gray gives a masterly interpretation of Richelieu—the power behind the throne. Eugene DuBois is all that could be desired as the dethroned favorite, the Duchess de Chateaux. Albert Tavernier is polished as the senile old beau. Lawrence Harbour gives a fine character study of Santuzzi, physician to the king. Miss Mildred Herman was a picturesque page, and Douglas Dumbrie, the Captain Verney. Many extra men and women took part in the brilliant court scenes, and in all the play is well worth a visit to the Savoy Theatre. Matinees will be given on Thursday and Saturday.

"THE GAY MUSICIAN."
Seats will be on sale to-morrow morning for "The Gay Musician," Julian Edwards' charming comic opera, that returns to the Grand next Saturday for two performances. The same cast and production that delighted theatregoers here last October will be seen again. Wherever "The Gay Musician" has been heard this season it has met with popular approval. Not only has Julian Edwards written some of his most charming musical numbers, but the book and lyrics by Seidle and Campbell are of a high order. The story told is a most consistent one, free from the stupid horse play and vulgarity that has marked so many of the musical productions of recent years. In fact, composer, author and librettist of "The Gay Musician" have written of the lines laid down by Gilbert and Sullivan in their never to be forgotten compositions. The cast of "The Gay Musician" is a notable one, and includes such well-known singers as Amelia Stone, Tempair Saxe, Joseph C. Miren, Lottie Kendall, Harry Short, Martha George, Carroll McComas, William S. Gill, Florence Robles, Marie Baxter and others as popular.

SINGERS IN EARTHQUAKE.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—A despatch received here from Rome says that M. Petrosi, a prominent Russian basso, and the Italian singers, Gnosse, Catani and Gambi, tenors, perished in the earthquake at Messina. These artists all appeared last winter in St. Petersburg.

AT CATHEDRAL
Christmas Entertainment For the Sunday School.
Christ's Church Cathedral Sunday school was packed to the doors last evening, when the Christmas entertainment was held. At 6.30, the entire Sunday school, numbering 450, sat down to supper—and such a supper it was, too. There was everything on the table that the young folks could desire, and it is a certainty that there was little left when they had been satisfied.
After the supper came a short programme, to give the boys and girls a chance to digest some of the food. It was as follows: Piano solo, Miss Irene Walker; song, Miss McDonald; recitation, Miss Hunter; piano solo, Eric Chamberlain; recitation, Miss Annie McLean. This was followed by the distribution of the prizes to the scholars who were fortunate in receiving high marks during the year. There was much interest in this, and applause for the winners. During the evening a sketch, entitled "The Irish Schoolmaster," was put on, and it proved very laughable. The cast was: Irish schoolmaster, Fred Brown; school boys, Edward Hunter, Herbert Taylor, Walter Taylor and Norman West.
Canon Abbott made a very happy speech in the earlier part of the evening, and toward the close took occasion to present Thomas Harley, Superintendent, with a complete set of Dickens' works.
This evening the entertainment will be continued, the infant class having its supper.

ALL SAINTS'.
Congregational Reception to Ven. Archdeacon Forneret.
In All Saints' Sunday school last evening a reception was tendered the pastor, Ven. Archdeacon Forneret, by the congregation, in celebration of his 23rd anniversary as rector of the parish. A congratulatory speech was made by Mr. George E. Bristol, referring to the long years of faithful and untiring service of the pastor and assuring him of the loyalty of the congregation. After the address Mr. T. E. Lenthall presented the pastor with a handsome travelling bag, an behalf of the congregation. Mrs. Forneret was presented with a beautiful bouquet.
Archdeacon Forneret made a neat speech, in which he thanked his people for their many kindnesses of the past and for remembering him on this occasion.
Refreshments were served at the conclusion of an informal musical programme. Miss Kirby sang twice and several selections were given on a phonograph kindly lent by Major Newburn.
Dr. Holidays.
Toronto, Jan. 5.—It is announced today by Rev. Dr. Chown, an official of the temperance movement, that an effort is to be made to have the people abstain from drinking on Christmas, Good Friday and Thanksgiving Day. Provincial Secretary Hanna was interviewed on this question, and although he was too busy with other matters to give out any statement, it is understood that the request will go before the Provincial Parliament when it meets.