

Our Local Pepys.

HIS DIARY.

December 21st.—About half after one o'clock this morning, I waked with the noise of the door bell ringing, and going to the window, found outside a fellow scribe that did desire some news of me. Greatly angered by being roused from my sleep I did answer him curtly, nor could I do otherwise, seeing how it is a most pleasant thing to be waked at so early an hour and for so petty a matter. By my news sheet I see there is a great deal to do over the Irish settlement and there be so many messages of the greatest intricacy, that I know not how the situation is nor, do I think, does any man. I to the Police Court, there to talk with Judge Morris and Inspector General Hutchings of the election of councillors, and there seems to be some doubt about the eighth place, and some Brophy. To the Board of Trade, where meeting Hon. W. Warren, I had a discourse with him of the Hun. Proposition. He did bring to me an article in the matter which appeared in a Montreal news sheet. So home, and there found awaiting my coming, a large turkey, that one had sent to me for a Xmas gift, whereas, my wife, being overjoyed, did embrace me, a thing which I liked well enough before marriage, but which is not now to my taste. Thence to the Board of Trade, there to hold discourse with several gentlemen, amongst whom were Mr. Currie, Capt. Kean and Mr. Long, on givers matters. With my wife to the pictures. But, Lord, how tiresome do they get and how much alike they are. To Spencer College to the distribution of prizes where I had some talk with Miss Richards, that is the Principal, and the Mayor and others. So to bed.

Kosy Felt Slippers in many styles, just opened up at SMALLWOOD'S.—dec16,tf

Recent Gold Discovery.

Early in the season some reference was made to a promising discovery of gold in one of our northern districts. Since then not much has been heard of any further developments in connection with same, until now, when we are informed that samples of ore sent to England and the States for analysis have given splendid results, and as a consequence a company is being formed in England to take over several properties where the ore was located. Next season these areas will be fully prospected and if results warrant a stamp mill of the latest type will be erected and we may expect to see a great boom in that part of the country. —dec11,tf

Christmas Greetings.

President J. G. Higgins, B.A., on behalf of the Great War Veterans' Association has sent a message of Christmas Greetings to Earl Haig, Admiral Lord Beatty, General Sir Hunter Weston, Lieut. General Sir H. De Lisle Colonel Badow, Colonel Forbes Robertson, V.C. Major General Cayley, Sir Edgar Bowring, Lt. Colonel Nangle, Lord Morris and other prominent friends of the Regiment in England. Greetings were also sent the British Empire League, London, with which the local branch of the G.W.V.A. is affiliated.

The musicians known as the B.L.S. Orch. have decided to appear at all future engagements at the Novelty Orch. —dec21,2i

Final Scene in West Coast Tragedy.

The last stage in the dissolution of the once prosperous business of R. Moulton Ltd., with headquarters at Burgeo is about to take place. Following an order from the Supreme Court, tenders are now invited for the purchase of the firm's premises at Burgeo, Burnt Islands, Rose Blanche, Grand Bruit, Rencontre and Lark Hr. including in these properties which consist of stores, shops and houses, and several outfalls for the fishery.

All Men's Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets and Fancy Vests are being cleared out this week for half price at KISHOPS.

Trade Improvement.

During the past three weeks trade has shown a big improvement particularly in the wholesale line. This is due to the closing of navigation on the Northern Coast, and the suspension of the branch railways next month. Orders for supplies being rushed ahead to take advantage of early transportation.

Buy your Skating Boots at SMALLWOOD'S, and we will attach your skates, free of charge.—dec16,tf

Crusts cut from sandwiches can be used, rolled and used for baking wafers, etc.

Hints for the Last-Minute Shopper

Now comes the dance of the hours, the final happy, though anxious, stampede for last minute gifts. If in your Christmas list you have overlooked anyone, don't get fainthearted over the fact.

But come to the Royal Stores as early as possible Friday or Saturday and quickly find the gift that person would like to have.

The Royal Stores is at Your Service

Gifts for the Men Folk

Let us help you to make "His" a Merry Xmas

Wide End Ties

Beautiful assortment of smart ties in latest colorings.
Reg. 75c. ea. for 65c.
Reg. 90c. ea. for 80c.
Reg. 85c. ea. for 80c.
Reg. 1.35 ea. for 1.25
Reg. 1.65 ea. for 1.55

Men's Shirts.

Striped Percal, soft finish, double cuffs, white linen collar bands. Reg. \$1.60

Cambric Shirts.

Neat striped designs; sizes 14 to 16; 2 inch button cuffs. Reg. \$2.40

Men's Pyjamas.

Heavy Flannel, military collar. Reg. \$3.20

Silk Scarf

Bargains

Ass't'd. colors and sizes; all have fringed ends. Reg. \$2.50—

for... \$1.95

Reg. \$3.20—

for... \$2.52

Reg. \$5.30—

for... \$4.25

Reg. \$7.50—

for... \$5.55

1.80 Cushions for 75c

Well padded Cushions covered with fancy floral Satene in various colors, finished with a neat frill.

Sideboard Cloths.

Pure White Linen Table Cloths, trimmed with heavy lace insertion and edging; size 12 x 54. Regular 99c.

Table Centres.

Of White Linen, hemstitched edge and embroidered corners; size 12 x 12 inches. Reg. 40c. each for 35c.

Table Cloth Sets.

Pure White Linen Table Cloths, with 6 Serviettes to match; splendid Damask finish; assorted designs, wide hemstitched borders. Reg. \$17.50 set for \$14.45

Sideboard Cloths.

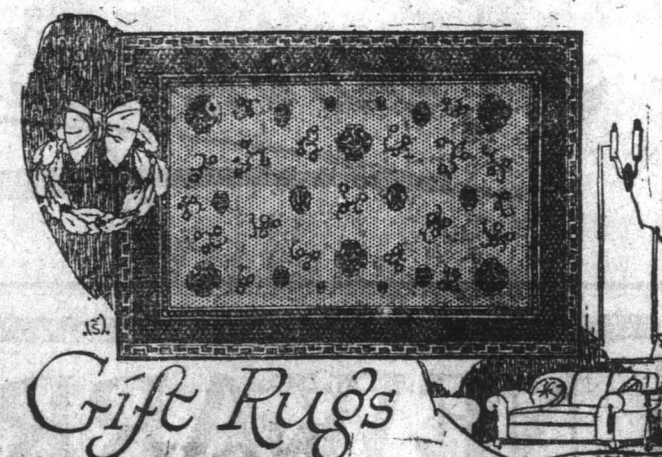
Pure White Linen of excellent quality, neat embroidered ends in self floral designs; hemstitched borders. Reg. \$1.25 each for \$1.13

Linen Cushion Covers.

All White; scroll designs in embroidery, hemstitched edges; size 23 x 24 inch. Reg. \$1.25 each for \$1.08

Fawn Cushion Covers.

Fawn and natural Linen; size 24 x 24, colored, embroidered design. Reg. \$2.40 each for \$1.60



Will help to brighten up the home. Desirable patterns that will be very acceptable gifts.

Wilton Hearth Rugs.

Size 27 x 54; various handsome designs in Oriental colorings; fringed ends. Reg. \$7.75 each for \$5.75

Kidderminster Door Mats.

Size 11 x 29; best Scotch design. Regular \$1.25 each for \$1.10

Carpet Squares.

High grade Brussels Carpet; size 9 x 12; handsome design in assorted colors. Reg. \$42.00 each for \$38.95

Wool Blankets.

White; 70% Wool Blankets with Blue borders; size 60 x 78. Reg. \$13.50 pair for \$9.70

Eider Quilts.

Size 60 x 72 inch; filled with Eiderdown of best grade; Silk and Satin coverings in a variety of handsome colors; well finished. Reg. \$18.50 each for \$15.00

Silver Hat Pins.

In Velvet-lined box. Oxidized Silver; 2 in set. Reg. \$2.35 set for \$1.50

Bead Necklets.

36 inches long; Turquoise stones. Reg. \$4.20 each for \$2.75

Dainty

Gift Handkerchiefs

Hundreds of them Ready

Don't puzzle over gifts—give Handkerchiefs. Hundreds of beautiful fresh gift Handkerchiefs for Men, Women and Children are here assembled for quick selection.

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs.

White Jap Silk with neat embroidered initial on corner. Regular \$1.40 each for \$1.45

Men's Cotton Handkerchiefs.

White Mercerized Cotton with initial on corner. Regular 49c. 55c. each for 50c.

Women's Linen Handkerchiefs.

Real Irish Linen, 13 inch square, daintily embroidered initials. Regular 21c.

Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs.

In fancy boxes, 6 in a box, colored embroidered designs. Reg. \$2.10

White Lawn Handkerchiefs.

3 in a box, hemstitched borders, embroidered corners. Reg. 75c. box for 68c.

All Toys & Games At Half Price

Santa Claus is almost ready to go down—Have you done all your Christmas shopping.

If not, here's your opportunity to buy Toys and Games at a great saving. Our entire stock offered on Friday and Saturday at HALF PRICE.

Books at Special Price

CHILDREN'S BOOKS—Reduced in Prices

Painting Books—

Reg. 50c. each for 45c.
Reg. 55c. each for 50c.
Reg. 1.00 each for 75c.

Story Books—

STORIES OF GREAT WRITERS—Reg. 75c. each for 65c.
VEGETABLE & FLOWER BOOKS—Reg. 75c. each for 65c.
AMUSEMENTS IN MATHEMATICS—Reg. 1.00 each for 75c.

CANTERBURY PUZZLES—Reg. 1.00 each for 75c.

GRIMM'S FAIRY STORIES—Reg. \$1.50 each for \$1.00

MUDDY BOOKS—Reg. \$1.50 each for \$1.00

THINKING IT OUT—Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.08

SCIENTIFIC AMUSEMENTS—Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.08

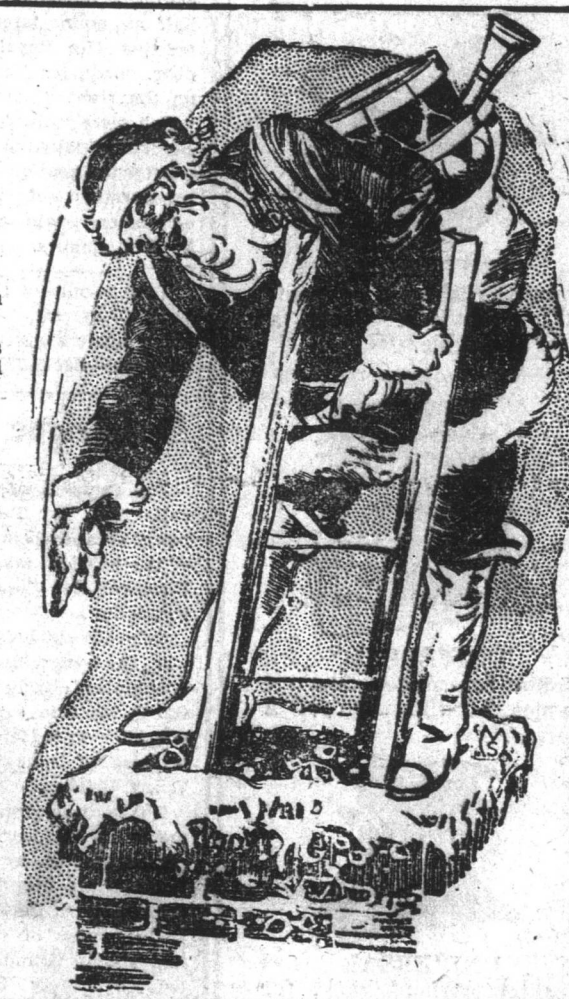
BIBAR ROSE FAIRY TALES—Reg. \$2.50 each for \$1.57

CHATTERBOX ANNUALS—

1914. Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.10
1920. Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.10
1921. Reg. \$1.90 each for \$1.27

TRAIL MAKERS' ANNUAL—Reg. \$2.50 each for \$1.65

POLLYANNA ANNUAL—Reg. \$2.55 each for \$1.70



Items for Quick Selection

For Women and Misses

Gloves.

Unlined Kid—Prices... \$1.25 and \$2.50 pair
Lined Kid or Suede—Prices... \$5.10 and \$7.25 pair

Handbags

In assorted Leathers—
Prices... \$1.50, \$2.20, \$3.75 to \$12.50

LEATHER PURSES—Prices... 50c. 95c. up to \$5.00

SILK CAMISOLES—Prices... 90c. \$1.25 up to \$2.00

BOUDOIR CAPS—Prices... \$1.25 and \$1.50

NECKWEAR NOVELTIES—In Laces, Ninos, Silk and Net. Prices... 25c. 35c. up to \$3.00

IVORY PHOTO FRAMES—Prices... \$2.50 and \$3.25

IVORY HAIR BRUSHES—Prices... \$2.50 and \$4.10

IVORY HAND MIRRORS—Prices... \$1.50, 2.10 to \$7.50

IVORY POWDER PUFFS—Prices... 70c. and 90c.

IVORY PUFF BOXES—Price... 75c.

Embroidered Linens.

Sideboard, Tea Tray Cloths, etc.
Prices... 25c. 35c. 60c. 80c. up to \$1.10

Stamped Linens

For embroidery Work—
Prices... 25c. 35c. up to 95c.

Work Baskets.

Prices... \$2.50, 3.00, 4.40 up to 17.00
HANDKERCHIEF and GLOVE SACKETS—
HALF PRICE.

Wool Scarves.

Prices... \$2.35, 2.75, 4.75, 5.75 and 6.00

Dressing Gowns.

Prices... \$6.50, 7.50, 10.75 and 20.00

Umbrellas.

Assorted handles—
Prices... \$3.25, 4.50 and 5.50

For Men and Boys

Men's Dressing Gowns.

Prices... \$12.10, 20.65 and 23.00

Smoking Jackets.

Prices... \$19.30, 21.50 and 24.50

Wool Socks.

Prices... \$1.00, 1.50 and 2.00

Boys' Leather Leggings

Black or Tan—
Prices... \$3.30 pair.

Collar Boxes.

Leatherette—
Prices... \$1.50, 2.00 and 3.00

Long Rubbers.

Men's—Prices... \$2.00, 4.50, 5.50 up to 7.00

Youths'—Prices... \$2.50 up to \$3.25

Sweater Coats.

Men's—Prices... \$2.00, 4.50, 5.50 up to 7.00

Boys'—Prices... \$2.50 up to \$3.30

Waterproof Raglans.

Prices... \$27.00

Cuff Link Sets.

Rolled Gold—
Prices... \$1.25, 1.50, 2.20 and 2.25

Dancing Pumps.

Patent Leather—
Prices... \$4.00 and \$7.50 pair

Dressing Jackets.

Prices... \$2.50, 3.00, 4.50 up to 16.00



Perfumes

Make her Christmas fragrant with gifts of exquisite toilettries—Toilet Water, Powders and Perfumes bring joy to the hearts of many.

Perfume Special.

Fancy Bottles in neat Boxes of assorted Odors, including Violet, Daisies, Caprice, Eclat, Lily of the Valley, Cashmere Bouquet, etc. Regular \$1.70 bottle \$1.40

Perfumes in Fancy Bottles.

We have now on display a splendid stock of Perfumes from English and American makers, in such odors as Lily of the Valley, Jockey Club, White Rose, Violet, etc.

Prices... 45c. 55c. 85c. \$1.50, \$1.50 up to \$5.00

Flower Extracts.

In beautiful Frosted Bottles. Odors include the popular Cashmere Bouquet, Eclat, Daisies, etc.

Prices... \$1.00, \$1.70 and \$2.00 a bottle

Perfume Sets.

5 different Bottles of Perfume in Fancy Case; assorted odors.

Prices... 85c. and \$1.10 a box

Tea Apron Specials

All marked at clearing prices with and without bodies, in plain and fancy muslin.

Reg. 90c. each for 45c. Reg. \$1.50 each for 95c.

Reg. \$1.25 each for 80c. Reg. \$1.55 each for \$1.10

Reg. \$1.40 each for 70c. Reg. \$2.20 each for \$1.40

Christmas Stationery

Fancy Stationery.

Beautiful Linen finished Paper and Envelopes nicely boxed for gift giving. Reg. \$2.35 box for \$1.95

Child's Party Stationery.

Nestly printed invitation cards with envelopes to match. Reg. 50c. box for 42c.

TISSUE PAPER—Green, Pink and Blue; size 24 x 30. Special per dozen sheets 10c.

SCHOOL WRITING SETS—Including Fountain Pen, Pencil, Knife, etc. in handsome case. Reg. \$3.00 set \$2.75

Toilet Soaps and Perfumes

GIFT TOILET SOAP—3 cakes in a box; assorted perfumes. Reg. \$1.10 box for 90c.

COLORFUL COMBINED SETS—Of Toilet Comforts for men and women. A set makes a beautiful Xmas gift.

Reg. \$1.15 set for 97c.

ARMOUR'S COMBINATION PACKETS—Of Soap and Toilet Powder. Reg. 60c. set for 50c.

MEN'S TOILET SETS—Soap, Powder, Shaving Cream and Dental Cream. Reg. 85c. set for 70c.



Ladies' Blouses

White Jap Blouses.

Round, square or Sailor collar, long roll, finished with hemstitching and pearl buttons; sizes 34 to 42. Regular \$12.50 each for \$5.50

Tricotine Blouses.

Shirtwaist styles in assorted striped designs; neat buttoned cuffs; all sizes. Reg. \$7.25 each for \$5.60

Women's Spats.

Good quality Felt in shades of Grey, Fawn, Brown and Black; sizes 3 to 8.

10 button length. Reg. \$2.30 pair for \$2.05

12 button length. Reg. \$2.50 pair for \$2.25

Misses' Felt Slippers.

Assorted colors; sizes 10 to 11 and 11 to 2. Values to \$2.40 pair. Selling for \$1.44

Misses' Felt Slippers.

Fancy top Moccasin style, soft leather soles; sizes 12 to 2. Reg. \$2.35 pair for \$1.66

Hosiery Bargains.

SILK HOSE—Colors of Nigger, Navy, Grey, Taupe, Lilac tops and feet; applied heels and toes. Special per pair \$1.15

WOOL HOSE—Heather mixtures, fashioned legs; sizes 9 and 9½. Reg. \$3.25 pair for \$2.50

Children's Sox.

Sky and Pink—Sizes 0, 1 & 2. Reg. 35c. pair for 29c.

White and Pink—Sizes 3 & 4. Reg. 40c. pair for 36c.

Wool Infantees.

Wool. Assorted colors—
Reg. 50c. pair for 44c.

Reg. 57c. pair for 52c.

Wool Booties.

White and assorted colors; some with kid soles with kid soles. Reg. 60c. pair for 52c.

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