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We have planned to have stocks complete with useful gifts for Christmas. For months back we've been searching the markets for novelties that will make your choosing of gifts an easy matter here. We would urge you to do your shopping early.

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Can you think of a gift more acceptable than Linen? This stock of high grade lineas is most complete.

Sets of damask cloths with match, satin finish, portraying Daisies, Shamrock, Show Drops, Floral scrolls, Begoni, Roseana, Bournot, Holly, Tulipona Bownots, Tulips and Scrolls.

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Portraying Holly, Blue, B'ue Bells, Buttercup, Shamrock, Wild Rose, Snow Drop and Pansy, sizes 2, at per dozen, \$11 25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2; 2 sizes \$1 25, \$1.50, \$2, Complete stocks of Lunch Cloths, Tablings, Carvers, Damask Towels, etc.

#### WM. FOREMAN & CO. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



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Shoppers come to our store. Come early, and get the pick of our great showing of Christmas

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How can you please any member of the family better than coming to the Boston Shoe Store.

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Boston Shoe Store.

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A splendid dressing for the hair, keeping it soft and glossy. It prevents splitting at the ends, and cures dandruft. J. C. Apreco.

# for Drunkenness eeley Drugusing Over 300,000 CURES ueen St. Wes

A POSER

Frank Tschirhart has a good story con J. W. White, Mr. Tschirhart went to Detroit yesterday and at the station yesterday morning he met N. H. Stevens and Mr. White, who were also going to Deltroit. While they were waiting for their train Mr. Stevens turned to Mr. :White and said:

"Mr. Whilte, you are quilte a. ought to be good at figures. "Well I think I may say that I am," modestly replied Mr. White.

"Then if a train left Montreal at eight o'clock in the morning and travelled towards Chatham at the rate of 60 miles an hour, and at the same time a train left Chatham for Montreal travelling 50 miles an hour, which train would be the farther away from Montreal when they were passing each oithen?"

According to Mn. Tschathant, Mr. White scratched his head, put on his glasses, and looked wise generally, and finally, after much debating and mental figuring, came to other conclusion that the train which started from Montreal would be the farther away because it travelled paster from Montreal, etc.

Mr. Tschinhart said that he found mo difficulty in deciding that they would both be the same distance from Montreal when they were both apassing the same point. "Then if a train left Montreal

#### GOOD REHEARSAL

A rehearsal for the Opera "Rob" Hood" was held in the auditorium

tions and the cold weather, there was an excellent attendance and the work gone over was very encourg-

The officers of the Regiment are pleased with the splendid progress which the chorus is making and hope that the good work will contimue. Through the courtesy of Mr. Walker, of the Standard Bank, the auditorium is well heated every.

night.
It is now only the matter of a couple of weeks before Messrs. Slade and Pease, of Detroit, will be here to take up the work with the choruses and the opera will then be gone through in its entirety. The next practice will be held Thursday evening, when a good through is evening, w when a good turnoutt is



When you stop to think that home-made tea biscuit cost but five cents a dozen, is there any reason for buying at the baker's?

Made with Cleve-land's Baking Powder they will taste better and will be more wholesome and appetizing than any you can buy.

#### THE SOO INDUSTRIES.

ORDER TO WIND UP CONSOLI DATED LAKE SUPERIOR.

Legal Complications-Authority of Canadian Courts May be Questioned-Toronto General Trusts One of the Liquidators.

Toronto, Dec. 15 .- Even further

legal complications where so many interests are involved are almost an order granted yesterday by Mr. Justice MacMahon to wind up the Consolidated Lake Superior Company Limited, and appointing John C. Carruth of New Haven, Connecticut, and the Toronto General Trusts Corporation provisional liquidators. Those interests who have claims against the subsidiary companies at the Soo, apart from Speyer & Company, who hold the loan for \$5,050,000, are behind hold the loan for \$5,050,000, are behind the move which resulted in the winding up order being made, although it was a consent order on the part of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, and the idea no doubt would be to delay the sale of the securities in the hands of Speyer & Company in the hope that time may bring about a change for the better in the affairs of the company. At present the reorganization scheme does not appear to have been successfully carried out: at any rate, there is no reassuring organization scheme does not appear to have been successfully carried out; at any rate, there is no reassuring statement from those in charge of that scheme. Mr. F. H. Clergue and Senator Dandurand, who went to the old country avowedly to raise capital to pull the company out of its difficulties, have returned to this side, and have made no sign that they are in a position to carry out their intention. Mr. Clergue passed through Toronto yesterday on his way to New York. To-day the extension of time granted by Speyer & Company, the Philadelphia bankers, expires, and the Central Trust Company of New York which is holding the mortgages for Speyer & Company, is in a position to enforce a forcelosure and claim the securities in its possession.

It was to head off any threatened sale of the securities that the winding up order which was applied for was granted, but how far Speyer & Company or the Central Trust Company or the Central Trust Company will recognize the authority of the Canadian court is another question.

In the petition of Messrs Wurtz

In the petition of Messrs. Wurtz, Wister and Brice it is stated the company has an authorized capital of \$117,000,000, of which \$35,000,000 is preferred and \$82,000,000 common. Of the preferred stock \$24,400,200 has been issued fully naid, and an accession. auch fully paid-up and non-assessable and of the common \$72,286,200 has been issued fully paid-up and non-assessable.

The company is owner of the shares of stock of the following companies.

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Name.	T'tl Stock	Owned by
Superior Co.	Lake\$20,000.00	
Algoma Steel pany, Limited Michigan Lake	20,000.00	19,998,600
perior Power Tagona Wate	Co 500,00	00 499,300
Light Co Sault Ste. Marie	200.00	00 3 199,500
and Paper Co	0 2,000,00	00 1,965,000
Co. St. Mary's Tr	150.00	00 150,000
Co	400.0	00 , 400,000
press Co	100.0	100,000
Shore Rallwa	y Co 1,000,0	1,000,000
various compa declaration s has invested companies in above seferred	tates that the through the the various I to at last ary compani	ven, and the ne company subsidiary proportions \$30,000,000 es, or some

of them, are indebted in large amounts and have issued notes and have incur-red heavy obligations under contracts, part of which have matured, and the subsidiary companies are wholly un-able to discharge their indebtedness in respect of such obligations.

The company has endorsed many of

#### HUGH M'KINNON DEAD. Formerly Chief of Police at Hamilton.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 15.-Hugh Mc-Kinnon, once a famous athlete, is dead at Dawson. For the last two years he had been chief officer in the Yukon to prevent the establishment of illicit

distilleries and the smuggling of liquor into the territory.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—Hugh McKipnon, ex-Chief of the Hamilton police force, whose death at Dawson has been announced, was in his forst year, and leaves a widow and an adopted daughter. He was appointed Chief of the Hamilton police force November 1, 1886, having then been Chief of the Belleville force, and he retained the position till January 31, 1895, when he was succeeded by the present chief, Mr. A. Smith. Chief McKinnon followed the late ex-Mayor A. D. Stewart to the chiefship of the force in this city, and by a strange coincidence he also followed Mr. Stewart to his death in the Klondike. The late Mr. McKinnon was regarded as one o fithe best chiefs of police this city ever had. He was over six feet in height and was well-proportioned. distilleries and the smuggling of

#### CUT IN WAGES.

Ten Per Cent. Reduction in Cotton Mills District.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 15 .- A reduc tion in wages averaging 10 per cent and involving six thousand operatives has been made in the cotton mills at Adams and North Adams, Mass., and Norwich, Conn. The mills reducing to-day are the last of those in
southern New England, western
Massachusetts and scattering towns
elsewhere to adopt a lower schedule,
following the lead of the Fall' River
mills in November, and in all about
88-000 hands have had their pay reduc-

#### BRITAIN AND THIBET.

DALAI LLAMA RETURNS LET-TERS FROM LORD CURZON.

The Expedition is Almost Ready to Start-Monks at Lhassa Are Arousing Opposition.

London, Dec. 15 .- Letters addressed by Lord Curzon, the Viceroy of India, to the Dalai Lama at Lhassa have been returned. The various units of the British expedition to Thibet are

the British expedition to Thibet are concentrating on the Chumbi valley, where Colonels Younghusband and MacDonald are awaiting them.

According to the latest information, the monks at Llassa completely dominate the situation and use all their influence to suppress any sentiment lavorable to granting Indian Thibetan trade facilities, to the abrogation of which the present expedition is attributed.

#### BOODLERS MAY ESCAPE.

Decision Which May Free Wrongdoers Convicted at St. Louis.

which brings into question the legality of hundreds of arrests and convictions, made on informations in St. Louis and which, according to Circuit Attorney Folk, opens the doors of the penitentiary which, according to Circuit Attorney Folk, opens the doors of the penitentiary through writs of habeas corpus to many others, was received here by Mr. Folk, who has conducted the boodling cases against members of the Missouri Legislature and the St. Louis Council. The Supreme Court decision in question, that reversing the case of the State against William Bonner, holds that an information issued by the Circuit Attorney's office must be sworn to, by prosecuting witnesses in the case, and that Circuit Attorneys or prosecuting attorneys and the Circuit Attorneys or prosecuting attorneys and the Circuit Attorneys or prosecuting and circuit Attorneys have been giving informations under their official oaths. In St. Louis alone, it is said, fully 2,000 cases have been tried on such information. Mr. Folk thinks the decision will affect althe convictions for boodling, bribery and perfury in connection with the sensational revelations made regarding civic and State government.

### THE U. S. CAMPAIGN.

Marvellous Stories Being Sent to London.

London Dec. 15 .- Some marvellous stories about the coming Presidential campaign in the United States are being cabled to London these days. A number of important journals, through despatches from New York and Washington, have informed their readers that the real opposition to President Roosevelt comes from the trust, and is due to his alleged hostility to them. The publication of these despatches has caused an cutbreak of editorial comment, praising Mr. Roosevelt for daring to antagonize the millionaires and stand by the common people. A new story came to town to-day which quite cutranks the others for foolishness and misinformation. A New York despatch to The Express says: "I understand on very reliable authority that a gigantic fund of £500,000 is being collected for the purpose of defeating the nomination of President Roosevelt at Chicago." The correspondent says the money will be spent in creating a sentiment against Mr. Roosevelt in the States now favorable to him, and also in buying delegates to the National Convention. "I learn, too," he says, "that President Roosevelt is fully aware of the movement and looks upon it with perfect equanimity, expecting by next June to overcome all opposition." London, superlatively credulous as she is to stories reflecting on United States political methods, shies at this contribution. that the real opposition to President

# STEEL CORPORATION, TOO.

Decide to Reduce Wages 5 to 20 Per

Cent. New York, Dec. 15 .- The statement was made by a leading official of the United States Steel Corporation that, beginning January 1, 1904, about

ninety per cent. of the employees o the corporation will suffer wage reductions ranging from five to twentyper cent. This reduction will affect
about 150,000 workmen. The remaining ten per cent. of the employees are
under a wage agreement. The financial committee of the Steel Corporation, it is understood, has under consideration the dismissal of many high
salaried employees in addition to those
already discharged. It was asserted
that, barring some unforeseen technicalities, employees of the corporation
who participated in the profit-sharing
plan will in the coming month receive
a five per cent. dividend on the preferred stock to which they subscribed
at \$2.50. the corporation will suffer wage re

#### NEW ZEALANDERS ANGRY.

Example of United States Alien Labor Law Arouses Indignation. London, Dec. 15.—The correspondent of The Daily Mail at Wellington N. Z., says that Premier Seddon has drawn Colonial Secretary Lyttelton's attention to the case of Harper, the New Zealand bank clerk who was pre-vented by the United States labor laws from landing at San Francisco. The correspondent adds that the case has created great indignation and tha Premier Seddon has declared that such treatment will not be tolerated.

#### Leading Wheat Markets.

Closing previous day. To-day. Dec. May. Dec. May. 78°C. Mary.
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A large variety of new silks, all shades and patterns in Bows, Lomboards, Derbys, Tecks, Strings and Knots, 250.

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English Square Mufflers, in silk and cashmere, a very large showing of black goods, both plain and brocaded, also stripes and fancy color ed brocades. The English Square Muffler is being much worn this winter, 250 to \$2.00.

Men's Oxford Mufflers in plain and brocaded blacks and fancy patterns, comfortable and convenient 50c to \$2.00.

Men's Japanese Sitk Mufflers, black only, plain and with embosse stripes, rich and serviceable, special \$1.00.

#### GLOVES

Meas wool-lined kid, imitation mocha and real mocha gloves, in all pocket, 500 and 750. the new shades of tan and gray. A very large range from the best makers in Canada, priced from 50c to \$2.00.

Men's silk lined gloves in all the latest shades in both kid and mocha-

### SUSPENDERS

CHRISTMAS THINGS

FOR MEN.

of its approaching nearness is felt at business and in the home.

Preparations are everywhere at their height, and everyone seems

ness has come in with a rush. Don't wat for Christmas week

but get in line now, make your choice while stocks and service

are all at their best. We have a store full of beautiful, useful

want to wear, from a collar button to a luxurious fur lined coat

gifts for men. There is every conceivable thing a man would .

The following list will set you thinking, but a look through

The ring of Christmas is already in the air. The influence

This is a Christmas store and the tide of Christmas busi-

An immense showing of suspendnew wide derby, the latest nevelty any kind you can think of, includ-Studholme Puff, Ascots, Imperials, ing the celebrated Harris brace, Puffs and Tecks, 50c and 75c. with Indian tanned rawhide ends 50c.

#### HANDKERCHIEFS

Linen handkerchiefs, both plain and hemstitched, pure Irish, our own importation, at each 15c, 20c, 25c and 350.

A range of extra quality pure Irish linen hemstitched handker-chiefs, put up by the half dozen in an elegant fancy box at per box, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

White silk handkerchiefs, plain and with inital, hemstitched, 25c, 500 and 750.

Men's fancy bordered, hemstitched, silk handkerchiefs, in a large variety of colorings, quite the cor rect thing for the outside breast

#### COLORED SHIRTS

In fancy patterned eiderdowns, from \$1 to \$2.

A line of beautiful, real mccha gloves, dark tan shades, all fur lined luxurious and warm, all sizes, \$4.

#### HOSIERY

An immense showing of suspenders, new Christmas webs, almost any kind you can think of, including the celebrated Harris base. tures, special, per pair, 350 and

Fancy silk web braces, with special mountings and kid ends, put up in individual fancy boxes, at **750**.

New Christmas Umbrellas great variety, with plain and fancy handles, steel rods, extra quality coverings, tight rollers, at \$1,\$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

A special let of umbrellas with silk coverings and sterling silver and gold plated mountings, any one of which would make a beautiful gift, priced from \$3.50 to \$10.00.

#### **SMOKING JACKETS**

Made from fine imported goods, golf cloths in check and plaid effects, trimmed with silk cord with Austrian knots and frogs, a very ex-tensive display, \$5.00, \$6 00 and \$7.00.

### DRESSING GOWNS

In the correct cloths, rich, luxurious garments, bound with silk cord and with silk and wool cord and tassels, special 58 and 510.

### BATH ROBES

Come and see the bright displays. Come and see the decorations. Come and make yourselves at home.

We will be delighted to show you the many beautiful things we have gathered that will make suitable and useful gifts for men.

# Thornton & Douglas, Limited

Don't Forget Your Wife's Christmas Box.

Your mother should be remembered also, or perhaps you want a pretty gift for your sweetheart. Choice gifts here in Dinner Sets, China Tea Sets, Parlor Lamps, Vases, all kinds. Silverware, New Toilet Sets. Fine China from France, Japan, Germany England, Austria.

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